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To: SAC, Miami

From: Director, FBI

~~ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS~~
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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There is enclosed one copy each of memoranda dated September 21, 1960, and September 26, 1960, from the Department of the Army concerning the activities of captioned individual.

In view of the allegation that Masferrer is engaged in the formation of an expeditionary force against Cuba, you are instructed to conduct immediate inquiry to verify or disprove the allegation of such activities on his part. The Bureau has no objection to an interview with Masferrer or Paul Hughes who is mentioned as cooperating with Masferrer. Both Masferrer and Hughes are well known to your office.

You are instructed to give this matter immediate attention in view of the allegation that Masferrer will commence his expedition "within ten days." The Bureau must be kept advised of all developments. All information pertaining to your inquiry concerning this allegation of an expedition must be reported under the above caption.

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NOTE ON YELLOW:

[Information from Army indicated that Masferrer is planning to send an armed group of 50 to 60 persons from the Florida area on an expedition against Cuba.] We have no information as to when this expedition will depart. It is noted a newspaper article on 9-20-60 indicated Masferrer had departed and arrived in Cuba as part of an expedition; however, he voluntarily appeared at the Miami Office on 9-21-60 stating the article was a complete fabrication. Although it does not appear that Masferrer is engaged in organizing an expedition, it is believed we should immediately verify or disprove this allegation.

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TO SAC, MIAMI

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NEUTRALITY MATTERS. REBUAIRTEL

SEPTEMBER TWO SEVEN, ONE NINE SIX ZERO. ARMY REPORTED TODAY
INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM SOURCE THAT MASFERRER HAD TOLD HIM
THREE BOATLOADS OF ARMS AND ABOUT FIVE ZERO MEN HAD DEPARTED
FROM FLORIDA, ONE BOAT ON SEPTEMBER TWO SIX, ONE NINE SIX ZERO,
AND TWO BOATS ON SEPTEMBER TWO SEVEN, ONE NINE SIX ZERO, IN AN
EXPEDITION AGAINST CUBA. BOATS ALLEGEDLY MET AT SOME UNDISCLOSED
ISLAND TO ATTEMPT TO EVADE CHARGE THEY HAD LEFT FROM UNITED STATES.
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HAD REFUELED AND ARE NOW ON WAY TO CUBA. IMMEDIATELY DETERMINE
VERACITY OF THIS ALLEGATION AND EXPEDITE INTERVIEW WITH MASFERRER.

KEEP BUREAU ADVISED. SUBMIT DATA IN FORM SUITABLE FOR
DISSEMINATION.

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NOTE ON YELLOW:

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Above information received by Liaison Agent [redacted]
from Major C. O. Meyer, ACSI, Army, Washington, D. C.
Buairtel 9-27-60 also reported information from Army that
Masferrer is allegedly organizing an expedition against Cuba. (S)

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FROM DIRECTOR 1 P

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, MIAMI

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, AKA. NM. REBUTEL NINE TWENTY
EIGHT SIXTY. [REDACTED]

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Mr. Belmont

Let to State
& interested agencies
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BE INTERVIEWED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND DETAILED LETTERHEAD MEMO
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Mr. M. W. Simpson

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1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Simpson

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EX 109

Date: September 30, 1960

To: Office of Security
Department of State

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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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No active investigation is being conducted by the FBI concerning this matter; however, liaison is being maintained with the United States Customs Service and the United States Border Patrol, and you will be advised of any additional information received.

- 1 - Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Attention: Deputy Director, Plans
- 1 - Director of Naval Intelligence
- 1 - Office of Special Investigations
Air Force
Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division
- 1 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army
Attention: Chief, Security Division
- 1 - Deputy Commissioner, Investigations
Bureau of Customs

**Office of Security
Department of State**

- 1 - The Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service**
- 1 - Major General Robert A. Breitweiser, USAF
Director for Intelligence
The Joint Staff
Room 2 E 966
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.**
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley**

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1 - Mr. Parsons 1 - Mr. Donahoe
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1 - Mr. Baumgardner 1 - Mr. Emond
1 - Liaison Section

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TO SAC, MIAMI

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI

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OCTOBER SIX, ONE NINE SIX ZERO, THE BUREAU HAS RECEIVED INFORMATION
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SEE MEMO BAUMGARDNER TO BELMONT, SAME DATE, SAME CAPTION,
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~~TO~~ DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, MIAMI

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NEUTRALITY MATTERS, REBUTEL OCTOBER
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MemorandumTO : Mr. A. H. Belmont *albo*

DATE: October 6, 1960

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner *FJB*SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

1 - Mr. Parsons
1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Baumgardner
1 - Mr. Nasca
1 - Mr. Simpson

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The "Washington Evening Star," 10-6-60, contained an article indicating a 27-man invasion force landed in eastern Cuba on 10-4-60. Cuban authorities charged the group was from the United States and reported the death of Armentino Feria, a follower of Masferrer, and the capture of Enrique Torres Perez and Arturo Alvarez on 10-5-60. Cuban authorities are reportedly attempting to locate and arrest the balance of the invasion force.

Masferrer has been the subject of active investigation by the Bureau for intelligence purposes and to determine whether he is acting in behalf of a foreign principal. Miami is also currently checking to determine the truth of an allegation received in late September that Masferrer was engaged in the formation of an expedition against Cuba. Miami Office advised 9-28-60

Feria, named above, was interviewed by the Miami Office in connection with another matter during July, 1960, and denied having been recruited into the Dominican Republic Intelligence Service. Miami was instructed to investigate him to determine if he was required to register under the Registration Act.

Bufiles contain several references to one Enrique Torres Perez who is a member of the Communist Party in Mexico and resides in Mexico City. It is not possible to determine if the person by the same name captured in Cuba is identical with this person.

Inspector D. E. Moore telephonically contacted SAC Lee Teague today and was advised that Masferrer was interviewed this morning in the Miami Office and confirmed the report that Feria, also known as "El Indio," arrived on the northeast coast of Cuba with approximately 50 men about three days ago. This group allegedly departed from a neutral country described as one of the islands in the Bahama group and the individuals comprising this force had been on this island anywhere from a matter of several hours to several days. Masferrer claimed there were no Americans involved. He

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

further stated the money for the expedition had been obtained from miscellaneous voluntary contributors and there was no one large contributor. He denied financing this group. He received word that the group arrived safely in Cuba about three days ago and was met by about 50 of Castro's men whom they captured and took these men into the hills. Masferrer stated he received word on the above although he had no connection with the group. He stated it was his supposition that the invasion group was unable to maintain control of the captured Castro men and some of these Castro men escaped and reported to the Cuban government the location of the invasion group.

While from the information at hand it appears this expedition was not launched from the United States, it is necessary for us to have further details. Miami is obtaining additional details concerning this expedition, and upon their receipt, we will submit them to the Department for an opinion whether the activities constitute a violation of neutrality statutes within our jurisdiction. Miami is submitting a teletype concerning this interview with Masferrer today, and upon its receipt, appropriate dissemination will be made to State Department, Central Intelligence Agency, military intelligence agencies, Customs, Immigration and Naturalization Service, and the Internal Security Division of the Department.

ACTION:

None, submitted for your information.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: October 10, 1960

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner *FJB*

1 - Mr. Parsons
 1 - Mr. Belmont
 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
 1 - Mr. Donahoe
 1 - Mr. Simpson

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
 NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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My memorandum dated 10-6-60 advised of reports in Washington newspapers that a 27-man invasion force had landed in eastern Cuba. Cuban authorities claimed to have killed one and captured two members of the invasion force and further claimed that the force came from the United States.

Masferrer was interviewed by the Miami Office on 10-6-60 and stated that a force of about 50 men had landed. He stated that although he knew of the proposed invasion, there were no Americans involved and he had not financed the group. He alleged they had departed from a neutral country.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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Masferrer has alleged the invasion departed from a neutral country. Inquiry to date indicates the group left Miami on two separate boats for a rendezvous point in the Bahama Islands and from there departed on its invasion of Cuba. The Department has been furnished all information to date and has been requested to furnish its opinion whether the facts developed indicate a violation of neutrality statutes under our jurisdiction (particularly Section 960, Title 18, United States Code, Organizing an Expedition) and warrant further investigation. All information developed to date has also been furnished to State Department, Central Intelligence Agency, military intelligence agencies, Bureau of Customs, Immigration and Naturalization Service, and the Joint Staff.

ACTION:

None. This is submitted for your information.

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TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont *also*

DATE: October 7, 1960

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner *FJB/K 10-11-60*SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

1 - Mr. Parsons ✓
 1 - Mr. Belmont
 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
 1 - Liaison Section
 1 - Mr. Donahoe
 1 - Mr. Simpson
 1 - Mr. Emond

On the afternoon of 10-7-60 [redacted]
 National Security Agency, Fort Meade, Maryland, telephoned Liaison
 to pass along information received by [redacted]
 National Security Agency, from one [redacted]

Consultation with the Nationalities Intelligence Section indicates that [redacted] is probably [redacted] the subject of Bufile [redacted]. He has been deeply involved in Cuban matters in the past. The Miami Office is fully aware of his background and the extent of his activities.

OBSERVATIONS:

It appears possible that the expeditionary force mentioned [redacted] may be identical with the force which landed on 10-4-60 and has been mentioned in local newspapers. It is believed advisable to furnish the above information to the Miami Office with instructions to interview [redacted] for full details in his possession and to determine if these invasion forces are identical and if Bobby Fuller has been associated with Masferrer.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

ACTION:

Miami is being instructed to resolve this matter in line with the above observations. Attached is a suggested teletype to the Miami Office. - *sent*

Red [signature]

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*V. Korne
10/8*

OK

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10/10/60

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (109-584)

FROM: SAC, WFO (105-29955)

ANTI-FIDEL CASTRO ACTIVITIES
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(b7c) Enclosed for the Bureau are 9 copies, for Miami 2
(b7c) copies and for New York one copy of a letterhead memo based
(b7d) on info received telephonically by SA [REDACTED]
from [REDACTED] on the evening of 10/7/60. T/S 4

(b7c) [REDACTED]
(b7d)

[REDACTED] advised that WILLIAM OTIS FULLER was
owner of a large plantation at Lewiston, Oriente Province,
Cuba, and was forced out by the CASTRO Regime. FULLER's
wife JENNIE FULLER has continued to remain at the plantation
to the present time. T/S 4

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[REDACTED] voiced his own opinion that this invasion of Cuba is a planned movement by ROLANDO MASFERRER, former Cuban Senator, to return to Cuba. He stated the FULLERS are acquainted with MASFERRER. ~~TS~~ U

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WFO file 105-1255 reflects that ROBERT OTIS FULLER is subject of case entitled "ROBERT OTIS FULLER, IS-CUBA, Registration Act - Cuba," (OO:MM) (MM file 105-2113).

[REDACTED]

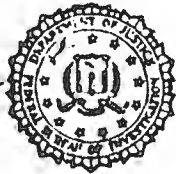
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
October 10, 1960

ANTI-FIDEL CASTRO ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

On October 7, 1960, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised
the following information [REDACTED]

(b7c, b7d) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Robert Otis Fuller, is among a group of 57 individuals who participated in the invasion of Cuban territory reported as having taken place on September 25, 1960. The invasion force consisted of four Americans while the remainder were Cuban Nationals. Arms for the invasion were obtained at an island north of Oriente Province, Cuba, and did not come from the United States. No American flag was carried by the invaders. ~~DS~~

The invasion force landed at Cayo Mambi near Moa Bay, Cuba. They seized the garrison there, killing nine and capturing thirty-seven Cubans. Food and arms were obtained. Their plans are to advance toward Guantanamo seizing garrisons on the way. In conjunction with this movement, the anti-Castro forces in the mountains are supposed to launch their attacks from the mountains. Further details regarding the movements of the invasion forces are not known [REDACTED] ~~DS~~ (b7c, b7d)

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1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Simpson

Date: October 14, 1960
To: Director of Naval Intelligence
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my letter to the Department of State dated October 10, 1960.

This communication will confirm information telephonically furnished on October 12, 1960, by Special Agent [redacted] of this Bureau to Commander G. A. Bostenero of the Office of Naval Intelligence.

(b)(c) [redacted] related he had heard a radio broadcast quoting Cuban authorities as stating that only five of the 57 invaders were still at large. Two of the five were identified as Americans, one being Robert Fuller, the son of William Otis Fuller.

[redacted] further stated that [redacted] Robert Fuller had a prearranged plan to attempt to reach the United States Naval Base at Guantanamo Bay for protection.

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The above is for your information and you will be advised of any additional data received concerning this matter.

1 - Office of Security
Department of State

1 - Director
Central Intelligence Agency

Attention: Deputy Director, Plans

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Director of Naval Intelligence

- 1 - Office of Special Investigations
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Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division

- 1 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army**

Attention: Chief, Security Division

- 1 - Deputy Commissioner, Investigations
Bureau of Customs**

- 1 - The Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service**

- 1 - Major General Robert A. Breitweiser, USAF
Director for Intelligence
The Joint Staff
Room 2 E 966
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.**

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont *AB*

DATE: 10-14-60

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner *FJB*SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

1 - Mr. Parsons
1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Baumgardner
1 - Mr. Donahoe
1 - Mr. Nasca
1 - Mr. Simpson

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Previous memoranda have been submitted advising of a 27-man invasion force which allegedly left the United States and landed in Cuba on 10-4-60. Some members of the force were killed on landing, others have been captured and at least one has been executed by Cuban authorities. Although subject has denied responsibility for this expedition, it appears quite likely that he is responsible.

Information concerning this matter has been furnished to appropriate Governmental agencies including the Department. In accordance with our established policy in neutrality cases and in view of the international ramifications involved, we requested the Department by memorandum 10-7-60 to advise whether information developed indicates a violation of neutrality statutes and warranted further investigation. Since Masferrer had indicated that his boat will probably continue to make trips to the Bahama Islands, we requested the Department to expedite its opinion. We furnished the Department on 10-10-60 additional information concerning this matter for its consideration and again requested that its opinion, previously requested, be expedited.

At 2:15 p.m., 10-14-60, Assistant Attorney General J. Walter Yeagley telephonically contacted Inspector Don E. Moore and made reference to our memoranda dated 10-7-60 and 10-10-60, requesting the Department's opinion. Mr. Yeagley advised that at this time, the Department was not in a position to expedite an opinion concerning this matter. He stated that various facets have to be explored before a decision can be reached and that he will promptly advise the Bureau when a decision concerning this matter is reached.

OBSERVATIONS:

Considerable investigation must be conducted if the Bureau is to establish a violation of neutrality statutes on the part of Masferrer and possibly others in the organizing of this recent expedition. It does not appear desirable for the Bureau

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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to conduct extensive investigation at this time since the Department indicates it is not in a position to expedite an opinion concerning this matter. It is felt that the Department is in possession of adequate information at the present time to furnish the Bureau an opinion whether further investigation is warranted. It is further not felt that we should conduct additional investigation now and consume manpower and time when it appears quite likely that the Department will eventually furnish us an opinion that further investigation is not warranted. If such an opinion is forthcoming, our time and effort would necessarily have been to some extent wasted.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that we advise the Miami Office of the statement made by Mr. Yeagley and instruct that office it should conduct no active investigation concerning this case but to furnish the Bureau any information which may come to its attention concerning this matter.

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UNITED STATES

Memo:

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont *auth*

DATE: October 15, 1960

FROM : Mr. L. M. Linton *Linton*SUBJECT: POLITICAL MATTERS - CUBA
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

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[REDACTED] called to furnish information and seek information concerning Robert Fuller who, [REDACTED] is a United States citizen and is possibly in custody of Cuban authorities with Allen D. Thompson and perhaps other United States citizens who will be "tried" today.

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[REDACTED]

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RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Donahoe
- 1 - Mr. Cotter
- 1 - Mr. Linton

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Date: 10/18/60

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER RIA

Attached for the Bureau are five copies and for the information of Miami one copy of a letterhead memo dated and captioned as above, reflecting information provided by the subject to SA [redacted] of WFO, on the evening of 10/15/60. [redacted] indicated he was contacting the FBI concerning the matter referred to in the attached since he [redacted]

On the basis of background information available, WFO indices reflect no information definitely identifiable with [redacted]. The ROBERT FULLER mentioned in the attached letterhead memo undoubtedly is identical with the former resident of Miami, Florida, ROBERT OTIS FULLER, executed by a Cuban firing squad on 10/16/60, according to wire service releases from Havana.

WFO contemplates no further investigation in this matter at this time.

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- 3 - Bureau (Enc 5)
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October 18, 1960

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J. Walter Yeagley

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Director, FBI

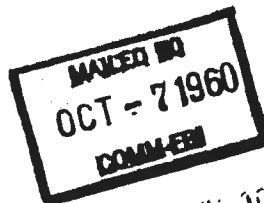
ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my letter dated September 30, 1960, to the Department of State, captioned as above, concerning an alleged expedition to Cuba reportedly backed by Masferrer. Enclosed for your additional information is a copy of my letter to the Department of State dated October 7, 1960, concerning this matter.

It is requested that this Bureau be advised whether the information developed to date indicates a violation of neutrality statutes within the jurisdiction of the FBI and warrants further investigation. Due to the international ramifications involved and the statement by Masferrer that his boat will probably continue to make trips to the Bahama Islands, it is requested that your opinion concerning this matter be expedited.

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1 - Mr. Simpson

SAC, Miami EX-125

November 3, 1960

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /2-1622

FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/

W.B. Gardner
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1 - Liaison Section
1 - Mr. Simpson

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Date: November 8, 1960
To: Office of Security
Department of State

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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my letter dated October 10, 1960.

(b7d) [REDACTED] that he had learned from supporters of captioned subject that subject apparently contemplated sending men from the Miami, Florida, area to a training camp on an island in the Bahama Islands described as 20 kilometers long. He reported that individuals residing at 1651 West Flagler Street, Miami, reportedly Americans and Cuban exiles, planned to join Masferrer's group. He further reported that captioned subject and some of his associates were allegedly involved in a theft of six cases of dynamite from a construction company in the Miami area.

(b7c) [REDACTED] that a second group of five Cubans and five Americans was expected to leave from the above address for a training camp and that other houses in the area housed supporters of the subject who were waiting to proceed to the camp. The informant reported that it was anticipated the group will depart for an island possibly belonging to [REDACTED] (phonetic) and would depart on board a ship captained by an individual known as [REDACTED]

Further information has been received that the subject had dynamite caps stored at 1651 West Flagler Street but has now moved these dynamite caps to his own residence at 1900 Southwest 21st Terrace, Miami, Florida.

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(referred)
The Immigration and Naturalization Service, Bureau of Customs, [redacted] the United States Border Patrol in Miami have been notified of the above information as well as the appropriate police agency in the Bahama Islands.

The above is furnished for your information, and as additional data is received you will be advised.

- 1 - Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Attention: Deputy Director, Plans
- 1 - Director of Naval Intelligence
- 1 - Office of Special Investigations
Air Force
Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division
- 1 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army
Attention: Chief, Security Division
- 1 - Deputy Commissioner, Investigations
Bureau of Customs
- 1 - The Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service
- 1 - Major General Robert A. Breitweiser, USAF
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The Pentagon
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- 1 - Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

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NOTE ON YELLOW:

Masferrer was allegedly behind an invasion group which departed Miami on 10-4-60 and landed in Cuba, members of which were captured by Cuban authorities. Some of this group were executed. The Department by letters dated 10-7-60 and 10-10-60 was requested to advise whether information developed indicated a violation of neutrality statutes and warranted further investigation.

On 10-14-60 Assistant Attorney General Yeagley contacted Inspector D. E. Moore and advised that the Department was not in a position to expedite an opinion concerning activities of Masferrer. Since Masferrer's activities have previously been presented to the Department, the above information is being furnished to Yeagley for information and he is not again being specifically requested for an opinion concerning this matter.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-7845)
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (105-4129)
RE: JULIO S. LAURENT Y RODRIGUEZ
IS - CUBA
(OO: MIAMI)

ROLANDO MASFERRER

Re Cleveland letter to Bureau, 10/7/60, indicating subject had received permission from INS to return to Miami and expected to leave Cleveland on 10/7/60.

(b7d)

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Cleveland, Ohio
October 8, 1960

ARMENTINO FERIA, aka. El Indio

(b7d) [REDACTED]

The leader of the recently publicized 27 man "invasion" of Cuba, ARMENTINO FERIA, also known as El Indio, was a Masferrer lieutenant and was formerly a Communist, fighting on the side of the Loyalists during the Spanish Civil War in 1935. One of those with FERIA was an American pilot named ROBERT (LNU), described as about 30 years, 5'8", heavy build. According to source, ROBERT (LNU) was a Korean War veteran and was a technical specialist on guns for MASFERRER, a former Cuban Senator.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Cleveland, Ohio
October 8, 1960

ANSELMO ALLIEGRO

(b7d) [REDACTED]

ANSELMO ALLIEGRO of Miami, Florida, a former Cuban Senator, has \$20,000,000 of Cuban money, plus stock in the Pan-American Bank, Miami, and finances ROLANDO MASFERRER, notorious BATISTA adherent. According to source, some of MASFERRER's men were involved in the recently publicized 27 man "invasion" of Cuba.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI

FROM SAC MIAMI /2-156/ 2P

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, AKA. RA-CUBA, IS-CUBA, NM.

REMMTEL TO BUREAU NINE TWENTYEIGHT SIXTY ADVISING OF ALLEGED

EXPEDITION TO CUBA REPORTEDLY BACKED BY MASFERRER, FORMER CUBAN

SENATOR ANSELMO ALIEGRO AND SANTIAGO REY, FORMER CABINET MEMBER

IN BATISTA GOVERNMENT, AND TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH BUREAU,

TEN SIX SIXTY. ON TEN SIX SIXTY ROLANDO MASFERRER VOLUNTARILY

ADVISED THAT A SUCCESSFUL EXPEDITION TO CUBA UNDER THE LEADER-

SHIP OF ARMENTINO FERIA PEREZ, AKA. "EL INDIO", FORMER

POLITICAL TROUBLE SHOOTER FOR MASFERRER IN CUBA AND UNDER

INVESTIGATION AS AN ALLEGED DOMINICAN AGENT, ARRIVED ON THE

NORTHEAST COAST OF CUBA APPROXIMATELY THREE DAYS AGO. HE STATED

THEY CAPTURED APPROXIMATELY FIFTY CUBAN REVOLUTIONARY ARMY MEN

UPON ARRIVAL AND UTILIZED THEIR SERVICES TO CARRY ARMS AND SUPPLIES

INTO THE FOOTHILLS. HE EXPLAINED CUBAN GOVERNMENT CONTROLLED

RADIO STATION, "RADIO PROGRESSO" ON TEN SIX SIXTY ANNOUNCED FERIA

HAD BEEN KILLED AND ARTURO ALVAREZ, FORMER SERGEANT IN CUBA

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~~DURING~~ BATISTA REGIME HAD BEEN CAPTURED. MASFERRER SURMIZED THAT THE GROUP HAD LOST CONTROL OF THEIR PRISONERS AND THAT POSSIBLY ONE HAD ESCAPED AND INFORMED THE CUBAN REVOLUTIONARY ARMY OF THE GROUPS LOCATION. MASFERRER EXPLAINED THE PARTICIPANTS

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OF THE INVASION WENT FROM THE UNITED STATES TO ISLANDS IN BAHAMAS WHERE REMAINED FOR SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, VARYING BETWEEN SEVERAL HOURS TO SEVERAL DAYS THUS THE INVASION CAME FROM A NEUTRAL COUNTRY. INDICATED FOUR BOATS, ONE NAMED THE "ALADINO", PARTICIPATED IN THIS MOVEMENT. ESTIMATED APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED TWENTY BOAT TRIPS MADE TO BAHAMAS SINCE MASFERRERS ARRIVAL IN U.S., APPROX. APRIL, FIFTYNINE. TRIPS FINANCED PRINCIPALLY THROUGH VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS AND NO SUBSTANTIAL INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS. STATED ALADINO CURRENTLY IN MIAMI, WILL UNDOUBTEDLY MAKE CONTINUED TRIPS TO ISLANDS. ADVISED THAT THROUGH INTERMEDIARY HE HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH MANUEL ARTIME VUESA, MILITARY LEADER AND MEMBER OF FRENTE REVOLUCIONARIO DEMOCRATICO, OFFERED TO JOIN FRD PROVIDED FRD WOULD MANIFEST FREEDOM OF ALL PRISONERS IN CUBA AND FORGET PERSONAL ANIMOSITIES TO JOIN IN FIGHT AGAINST CASTRO SEMICOLON THAT UPON SUCCESSFUL OVERTHROW OF CASTRO GOVT. LAW AND ORDER WOULD PREVAIL AND ALL INDIVIDUALS ACCUSED OF WRONGDOING WOULD BE TRIED UNDER DUE PROCESS OF LAW. LETTERHEAD MEMO FOLLOWS.

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~~OF THE INVASION WENT FROM THE UNITED STATES TO ISLANDS IN BAHAMAS~~

6-50 P M OK FBI WA RAM

TU DIS CC-MR. BELMONT

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Date: October 7, 1960
To: Office of Security
Department of State
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my letter dated September 28, 1960.

The "Washington Evening Star," Washington, D.C., dated October 6, 1960, contained an article indicating a 27-man invasion force landed in eastern Cuba on October 4, 1960. Cuban authorities had charged that the group was from the United States and reported the death of Armentino Fera, a follower of Masferrer, and the capture of Enrique Torres Perez and Arturo Alvarez on October 5, 1960. Cuban authorities were reportedly attempting to locate and arrest the remaining members of the invasion force.

On October 6, 1960, Masferrer voluntarily advised our Miami, Florida, Office that a successful expedition to Cuba had arrived on the northeast coast of Cuba approximately three days previously. He stated this expedition was under the leadership of Armentino Fera Perez, also known as "El Indio," a former political "trouble shooter" for Masferrer in Cuba. It is to be noted that Fera is currently under investigation by the FBI as an alleged agent of the Dominican Republic.

Masferrer stated this expeditionary force captured approximately 50 Cuban Revolutionary Army men upon arrival, utilizing the service of these men to carry arms and supplies into the foothills. Masferrer further related that the Cuban Government-controlled radio station "Radio Progreso" on October 6, 1960, had announced that Fera had been killed and Alvarez, a former lieutenant in the Cuban Army, during the

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Batista regime, had been captured. Masferrer surmised that the group had lost control of its prisoners and possibly one had escaped, informing the Cuban Revolutionary Army of the location of the invasion force.

Masferrer contended that the invasion was launched from a neutral country, stating that the participants of the expeditionary force traveled from the United States to islands in the Bahamas where they remained for short periods of time which varied between several hours to several days. He indicated that four boats, including the "Aladino," participated in the movement. Masferrer further estimated that approximately 120 boat trips have been made to islands in the Bahamas since Masferrer arrived in the United States in approximately April, 1959. He claimed these trips were financed principally through voluntary contributions and that there had been no substantial individual donations. He further related that the "Aladino" is currently in Miami but will undoubtedly continue to make trips to the Bahama Islands.

Masferrer also advised that through an intermediary he has been in contact with Manuel Artime Buesa, military leader and member of the Frente Revolucionario Democratico (FRD), and had offered to join the FRD provided the FRD would manifest freedom of all prisoners in Cuba and forget personal animosities to join in the fight against Castro, and that upon the successful overthrow of the Castro government law and order would prevail and all individuals accused of wrongdoing would be tried under due process of law.

The above is furnished for your information and you will be advised of any additional data received concerning this matter.

1 - Director
Central Intelligence Agency

Attention: Deputy Director, Plans

1 - Director of Naval Intelligence

**Office of Security
Department of State**

- 1 - Office of Special Investigations
Air Force**

Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division

- 1 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army**

Attention: Chief, Security Division

- 1 - Deputy Commissioner, Investigations
Bureau of Customs**

- 1 - The Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service**

- 1 - Major General Robert A. Breitwieser, USAF
Director for Intelligence
The Joint Staff
Room 2 E 966
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.**

1 - Liaison Section
1 - Mr. Simpson

Date: October 10, 1960

To: Office of Security
Department of State

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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Reference is made to my letter dated October 7,
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Assistant Attorney General
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October 10, 1960

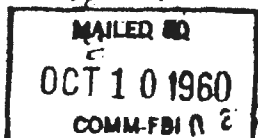
Director, FBI

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my letter dated October 7, 1960. Enclosed for your additional information is a copy of my letter to the Department of State dated October 10, 1960, concerning this matter.

The additional information contained in the enclosed letter to the Department of State is furnished for your consideration in connection with the request of this Bureau to be advised whether the data developed to date indicates a violation of neutrality statutes within the jurisdiction of the FBI and warrants further investigation. It is requested that your opinion concerning this matter be expedited.

Enclosure



UNITED STATES

Memorandum

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: October 12, 1960

FROM : MR. A. J. DECKER

cc Mr. Belmont
 Mr. Decker
 Mr. Simpson

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
 NEUTRALITY MATTERS

[REDACTED]
 related that he had heard a radio broadcast quoting Cuban authorities as stating that only five of the 57 invaders were still at large. Two of the five were identified as Americans and one as Robert Fuller, the son of William Otis Fuller.

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 (b)(7)(d) [REDACTED] Robert Fuller had a prearranged plan to attempt to reach the U.S. Naval base at Guantanamo Bay for protection.

The above information was telephonically furnished to Commander G. A. Bostenero, Duty Officer, ONI.

[REDACTED]

ACTION:

For information of Internal Security Section.

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To: SAC, Miami

From: Director, FBI

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

[REDACTED] stated he had heard a radio
broadcast quoting Cuban authorities as stating that only five
of the 57 invaders were still at large. Two of the five were
identified as Americans, one being Robert Fuller, the son of
William Otis Fuller.

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(b)(7D) [REDACTED] that
Robert Fuller allegedly had a prearranged plan to attempt to
reach the United States Naval base at Guantanamo Bay for protection.

You are instructed to [REDACTED]
concerning this alleged plan [REDACTED] to reach the Naval
base and obtain complete details concerning this plan and whether
the proposed plan may be of further interest to the Department
of the Navy or could be of possible embarrassment to the United
States Government. For your information, the above data furnished
[REDACTED] has been disseminated to interested agencies at the
Seat of Government, including ONI.

Enclosed are two Photostats of a Current Intelligence
Item dated October 7, 1960, received by the Bureau from the
Department of the Army which refers to the invasion group which
recently landed in Cuba. It is noted that this report indicates
that an earlier Masferrer group reportedly landed in Cuba about
the end of September. You are instructed to make immediate and
appropriate inquiries in an attempt to determine whether there

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Airtel to Miami

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

have been any invasionary groups which have departed from your area in addition to the one which left in the early part of October and is reportedly now under the leadership of Robert Fuller. X

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1 - Mr. Belmont
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1 - Mr. Donahoe
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1 - Mr. Nasca
1 - Mr. Simpson

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To: SAC, Miami
From: Director, FBI (2-1622)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reurtels 9-28-60, 10-6-60 and 10-9-60.

Information previously furnished by your office concerning captioned matter has been submitted to the Department of Justice for an opinion whether the facts indicated a violation of neutrality statutes within our jurisdiction warranting further investigation. Due to the international ramifications involved, we requested the Department to expedite its opinion concerning this matter.

On 10-14-60, Assistant Attorney General J. Walter Yeagley advised that at this time the Department is not in a position to expedite its opinion concerning this matter. He stated that various facets have to be explored before a decision is reached and the Bureau will be promptly advised when a decision is made.

In view of the above, you are instructed to conduct no further investigation concerning this expedition; however, you should remain alert for any information concerning this matter which may come to your attention through your informants and established sources. Any information received should be promptly made available to the Bureau.

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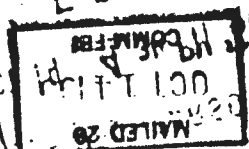
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Date: 11/10/60

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TO: Director, FBI

FROM: SAC, Miami (2-156)

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS;
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On 11/5 and 6/60, local agencies of U. S. Customs, Immigration and Naturalization, Border Patrol, [REDACTED] were notified and each advised they did not possess any additional information concerning this matter.

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- ③ - Bureau (AM) (RM)
- 3 - Miami (2-156)

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On 11/8/60, Special Agents, FBI, observed camp of MASFERRER supporters and interviewed 17 individuals who were located at this camp. Camp consisted merely of clearing in woods and men were observed sleeping on Army folding cots with mosquito netting. No firearms were observed or located on island, which is uninhabited, and only individuals on island are members of MASFERRER group. The individuals denied they planned to proceed directly to Cuba for an invasion, and indicated group would be enlarged to approximately 90 men.

On 11/9/60, ROLANDO MASFERRER voluntarily advised that aforementioned camp being utilized to keep anti-Communist and anti-CASTRO supporters in good physical condition and out of populated areas where they could possibly cause trouble. MASFERRER stated he hoped to expand group to approximately 400 men and indicated they would not leave island direct for Cuba. He indicated there were no actual plans for the group; that this was merely a staging area; and, that any invasion would be from a neutral country where they would be furnished with necessary arms and supplies. Report follows.

1 - Mr. Simpson

11-15-60

AIRTEL

To: SAC, Miami (2-156)

From: Director, FBI (2-1622) - 34

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to your airtel dated 11-10-60
captioned "Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, NM - Cuba";

(b7c) [REDACTED] "Neutrality Matters"; and
to telephone conversation between ASAC Richard J. Baker of
the Miami Office and Inspector Joseph A. Sizoo of the Bureau
on 11-14-60.

It is noted that ASAC Baker advised of the conversation
with Department Attorney John Doherty indicating that the
Department is considering authorizing prosecution in captioned
case. For your information, the Bureau has previously requested
an opinion from the Department in this case but has received no
word concerning its contemplated action.

Referenced Miami airtel contains information indicating
that Masferrer and his supporters are engaged in activities
which strongly indicate that plans are being made for another
expedition against Cuba. Although persons interviewed denied
that they plan to proceed directly to Cuba, their departure
from the United States may be under such circumstances that
it may be in violation of neutrality statutes. It is noted
that a report is being submitted concerning these individuals.
You should, of course, remain constantly alert for any additional
information indicating that Masferrer and his group are actually
contemplating departing on an expedition.

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Airtel to Miami

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

(2-1622)

(bx) Information contained in referenced [redacted] airtel indicates that [redacted] apparently has joined Masferrer's group. You should conduct appropriate inquiries to determine whether [redacted] has actually joined this group and, if possible, locate and interview him to determine the manner in which he may have been recruited for this proposed operation. He should be interviewed concerning the identities of persons contacting him, arrangements made relating to payment of transportation, expenses, salary, etc., and statements made as to the purpose of the recruitment. All information developed should be submitted in a form suitable for dissemination. In view of the fact that the Department is apparently considering prosecution in this matter, your report concerning Masferrer's activities indicating possible violation of neutrality statutes under our jurisdiction should be submitted as quickly as possible.

It should be noted that the country designation is not included in the caption of "Neutrality Matters" and correspondence and reports submitted in this case should bear the caption as carried in this communication.

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MR. A. H. BELMONT

November 14, 1960

MR. J. A. SISCO

1-Mr. Parsons
1-Mr. Belmont
1-Mr. Baumgardner
1-Mr. Simpson
1-Mr. S. B. Donahoe

ANTI-CASTRO ELEMENTS
IN THE MIAMI, FLORIDA, AREA

Assistant Special Agent in Charge Baker, Miami,
called today (11/14/60) and advised that John Doherty, of the
Internal Security Division of the Department, had called at
the Miami Office.

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1-BuFile 105-72805 (Paul Joseph Hughes)
1-BuFile 105-1422 (Rolando Arellano)

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont from Mr. Sizoo

Re: ANTI-CASTRO ELEMENTS
IN THE MIAMI, FLORIDA, AREA

Reports on the above two cases are being prepared in Miami and will reach the Bureau this week, according to ASAC Baker.

ACTION:

These matters will be followed very closely with the Department, and you will be advised in the event the Department decides to proceed with prosecution.

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Mr. A. M. Belmont

November 17, 1960

Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

- 1 - Mr. Parsons
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Inspector Williams
- 1 - Mr. Working
- 1 - Mr. Donahoe
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Simpson

ANTI-CASTRO ELEMENTS IN
THE MIAMI, FLORIDA, AREA

Reference is made to the memorandum from Mr. Sizoo to Mr. Belmont dated 11-14-60 which reported information received from ASAC Baker, Miami, that a Department attorney had stated that the Department was considering prosecution of anti-Castro elements in one or two cases. The Department had in mind the Hughes and Masferrer cases and Baker stated Miami would submit reports on these cases this week. Mr. Tolson commented "How long have these cases been pending? Why weren't reports submitted previously?" The Director noted "I want to know. H."

HUGHES CASE

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Information was received on 11-2-60 that Paul Joseph Hughes was in possession of homemade bombs and planned to bomb Havana even if he had to steal an airplane. Inquiries developed that Hughes and one Jay Hunter stole an airplane ostensibly for this purpose on the morning of 11-1-60. The Miami Office immediately instituted and is currently conducting an Interstate Transportation of Stolen Aircraft (ITSA) investigation in view of the possible violation of that statute. Newspapers have indicated the possibility that these individuals crashed into the ocean since they departed during very stormy weather and nothing has since been heard of them.

All information concerning the theft of the airplane and the alleged plans of Hughes has been forwarded to the Bureau by teletypes from Miami and disseminated by the Bureau to interested Government agencies, including the Department. While the investigation has been underway for two weeks, the plane and the subjects have not yet been located, and the basic element of the violation (the interstate transportation of the stolen aircraft) has not yet been established. Miami is submitting a report setting out information developed to date and substantiating the information which has previously been furnished to the Department by memorandum. This report is now being typed in Miami and will be dispatched to the Bureau tonight or the first thing in the morning.

- 1 - Bufile (105-72805) (Paul Joseph Hughes)
- 1 - Bufile (2-1822) (Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas)

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: ANTI-CASTRO ELEMENTS IN
THE MIAMI, FLORIDA, AREA

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MASFERRER CASE

Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas has for some time been the subject of an active investigation by the Bureau for intelligence purposes and to determine if he is acting on behalf of a foreign principal. The Department has been kept advised and reports have been submitted to the Department containing information as to the activities of Masferrer in this capacity.

The most recent neutrality matter incident involving Masferrer occurred on 10-4-60 when a 27-man invasion group landed in Cuba and inquiries conducted by the Miami Office indicated the force was backed by Masferrer. This invasion force was captured by Castro forces and three Americans with the group were later executed in Cuba. Miami has kept the Bureau advised of all pertinent developments concerning this possible neutrality violation by teletype and as information has been received it has been disseminated by the Bureau to interested Government agencies, including the Department.

In accordance with established Bureau policy not to investigate neutrality cases unless authorized by the Department we presented this matter under the neutrality statutes to the Department on 10-7-60 requesting an expeditious opinion as to whether the facts indicated a violation which in the opinion of the Department warranted investigation. When furnishing additional information to the Department on 10-10-60, we again urged the Department to expedite its opinion concerning this possible neutrality matter violation. On 10-14-60 Assistant Attorney General Yeagley advised that the Department could not expedite its opinion concerning this possible neutrality violation since various facets had to be explored by the Department. (Actually the Department was trying to arrive at a policy as to whether this country's best interests would be served by any prosecutions of anti-Castro forces.) My memorandum to you dated 10-14-60 pointed out that it did not appear desirable to conduct the extensive investigation which is required to establish the neutrality violation since Mr. Yeagley had stated the Department was not in a position to furnish an opinion. Miami was, therefore, instructed by airtel 10-14-60 to conduct no active investigation concerning this possible neutrality violation but to remain alert for any information coming to its attention.

Despite the fact that the Department has still not given us an opinion as to whether we should investigate the case, the Department has been furnished all information concerning this possible

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: ANTI-CASTRO ELEMENTS IN
THE MIAMI, FLORIDA, AREA

neutrality violation coming to our attention which has been furnished by the Miami Office to the Bureau by letters, teletypes and memoranda. A report covering this information is now being typed in the Miami Office and will be dispatched to the Bureau tonight or first thing in the morning.

ACTION:

None. This is submitted for your information.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MIAMI	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MIAMI	DATE 11/17/60	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 8/16 - 11/17/60
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One copy of this report is being furnished to the New York Office for informational purposes, inasmuch as [REDACTED] New York, mentioned in this report, reportedly may be associated with Ejercito Nacional Cubano (ENC), as reflected in Bulet to Miami dated November 15, 1960, entitled, "ENC; RA - CUBA", with copy to New York.

One copy is being furnished New York for inclusion in case file on "MAOC", for completion of that file.

WASHINGTON FIELD (INFORMATION):

One copy of this report is being designated for informational purposes since that office received a copy of the above letter.

MIAMI:

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

1 - Will report information concerning this matter obtained through informants and established sources.

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2 - Will continue to follow and report results of any possible prosecution.

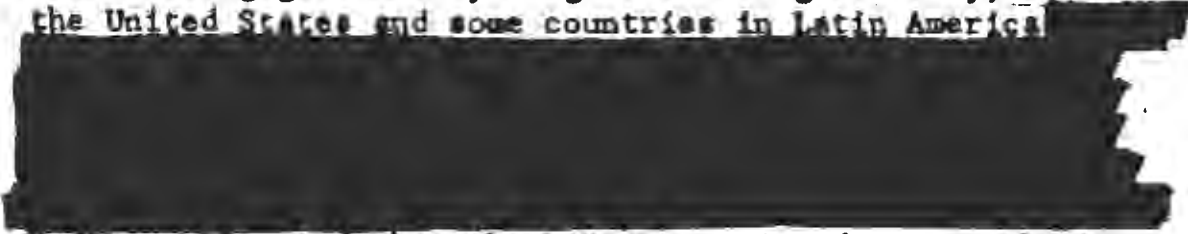
ADMINISTRATIVE

Close liaison has been maintained on a current basis with all interested U. S. Government agencies, as well as with the Miami Police Department.

Information relating to pro-CASTRO individuals at Miami referred to in this report has been incorporated into appropriate Miami files and new cases have been opened for investigation where it has been deemed warranted.

During the course of the interview with ROLANDO MASFERRER on several occasions, and particularly on November 9, 1960, MASFERRER stated that it is common knowledge among Latins and those interested in Latin American affairs, especially Cubans, that the Frente Revolucionario Democratico (FRD) is engaged in very large recruiting activity, both in the United States and some countries in Latin America.

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Further, he noted that the FRD is permitted to use short wave facilities, not only against the Communist Government of Cuba, but other factions fighting CASTRO which have not been placed under the political authority of MANUEL de VARONA. Specifically, he advised that he had been attacked by this broadcast directed to Cuba, apparently from New York.

He also indicated that a large majority percent of the men recruited by the FRD were former members of the Cuban National Army who had fought against CASTRO and the Communists in the past, while VARONA helped CASTRO

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He also advised that he would cease all operations in his anti-CASTRO movement if so directed by the United States Government. He actually had considered disbanding his organization, noting that he had disbanded MAOC; however, as a result of a recent meeting of approximately twenty-three organizations in Miami during the first part of November, 1960, he had received renewed support and thereby believed that his endeavors could be of value, not only to realizing a free, peaceful Cuba, but a renewed fellowship and warm relationship with the United States.

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This report has been classified secret since information contained herein has been so classified previously by another Government Agency.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS was interviewed at his residence, 1900 Southwest 21st Terrace, Miami, Florida, during which time he advised that the ~~Milicias Anti-Comunistas Obreras y Campesinas (MAOC)~~ (Anti-Communist Laborers and Farmers Militia) is rarely active in Miami, FL, said activity being an occasional meeting to maintain the "old bonds" of that organization. He explained that the meetings were held at the residences of various members of the organization, that they were informal in nature, and merely consisted of a discussion regarding the current Cuban situation at that particular time.

MASFERRER advised that there was no formal organization of the MAOC in the United States, and for that reason, no steps had been taken to register the organization under the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended. He stated the MAOC in Miami prints a weekly news letter under the title of "Libertad," which is distributed each Sunday. He also advised that the "Libertad" is prepared on a multilith, consisting of news items and Cuban propaganda concerning happenings both in Cuba and the United States. The "Libertad" is distributed locally in Miami by hand.

MASFERRER also advised that through sources available to him, whose identity he did not care to disclose, with contacts in the Cuban Government, he had ascertained the following three individuals who formerly were associated with him and the members of his organization (MAOC), returned to Cuba, and expected to return to Miami in the near future. He continued these individuals are

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He identified the individuals as follows:

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MASFERRER pointed out that although the above three individuals had not acted on behalf of the FIDEL CASTRO Government in the past, that Government was able to bring to bear certain pressures which might have changed their position with respect to the Government of Cuba. MASFERRER continued that such pressures are brought to bear upon members of families currently residing in Cuba.

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was suspected by anti-CASTRO sympathizers in Miami as a possible plant of the FIDEL CASTRO Government of Cuba.

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On September 20, 1960, the "Miami News," a daily Miami newspaper, contained an article captioned, "MASFERRER Rebels In Cuba Hills," which reflected Cuban sources in Miami alleged a fifty-man anti-CASTRO force, backed by former BATISTA strongman ROLANDO MASFERRER, had successfully invaded Cuba the week end of September 17 and 18, 1960. The article stated these counterrevolutionaries were operating as of September 20, 1960, in the Escambray Mountains, Las Villas, Cuba. The article continued that the group was led by "INDIO FERE," and had the backing of former "Senator ANSEIMO ALLIEGRO" and "JULIO IGLESIAS," former President of Cuban Shell Petroleum Company, both Cuban exiles residing in the United States.

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The article described MASFERRER as head of a private terrorist army called "The Tigers" and a former Senator of Cuba during the regime of FULGENCIO BATISTA, former President of Cuba. It continued that he, MASFERRER, was one of the most hated men in Cuba during the BATISTA regime, and therefore, alleged that the presence of a group sponsored by MASFERRER would be of no strategic value to the estimated 800 rebels already harassing CASTRO forces from the Escambray Mountains. The article further pointed out that if true, this action would give FIDEL CASTRO a trump card to play at the United Nations (UN) meeting in New York City, with FIDEL CASTRO in attendance. It also backed up the claim of the CASTRO Government of Cuba that they needed arms to protect Cuba from attacks launched from the United States mainland by former BATISTA adherents.



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On [REDACTED] an individual acquainted with certain phases of Cuban activity in the Miami area, advised a 63 foot yacht was anchored in the 3000 Block of Southwest North River Drive, Miami, on this date. He stated the boat was owned by MASFERRER, and would possibly leave on an expedition to Cuba that night. [REDACTED] was unable to furnish any further information, except that the boat was painted white, and had two 650 horsepower engines. There was no name on the boat.

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ROLANDO MASFERRER was interviewed at his residence, 1900 Southwest 21st Terrace, Miami, Florida. At the outset of the interview, he was advised he did not have to make a statement, he had the right to consult an attorney, and any statements made by him could be used against him in a court of law. He was also advised of the provisions of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, and the Neutrality Act. No threats or promises were made to MASFERRER, and he furnished the following information voluntarily:

He advised the story which appeared in the "Miami News" on September 20, 1960, was entirely false. He said he did not have any knowledge of any expeditions to Cuba; however, he considered FIDEL CASTRO one of his bitterest enemies. He described the CASTRO Government of Cuba as a Communist satellite of Soviet Russia, and indicated he had directed the members of his organization Milicias Anti-Comunistas Obreras y Campesinas (MAOC), to support and join the Frente Revolucionario Democratico (FRD). MASFERRER indicated he was not in accordance with or supporting MANUEL ANTONIO DE VARONA LOREDO (TONY VARONA) and other leaders of the FRD, but he recognized the fact that this organization, which is basically anti-Communist and anti-CASTRO, has more support and apparently better facilities and financial backing than any other anti-CASTRO or Cuban counterrevolutionary movement in existence today. He indicated a group of men, formerly members of MAOC, recently left the Miami area with the FRD. He stated he was not aware of their present location; however, it was possible they were in the Escambray Mountains, Las Villas, Cuba.

MASFERRER also advised the MAOC had been completely dissolved, and the majority of members plan to join and/or support the FRD. He indicated a counterrevolutionary group in Cuba, formerly known as "The Tigers", had assumed the name "Ejercito Nacional Cubano" (ENC). He stated this organization would render him support when and if he should return to Cuba, where he hoped to be able to return, health permitting. He believed the ENC consisted of approximately 11,000 members, with the largest

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group centered in Oriente Province, Cuba. He explained the ENC was broken into cellular groups of the 22 municipalities in Oriente Province. He also advised there were some members in Havana.

He advised ARMENTINO FERIA PEREZ, also known as "EL INDIO", was formerly associated with him during the time he was Senator in Cuba during the BATISTA regime, and had acted as a political troubleshooter. He related FERIA fought in the Spanish Civil War in Spain, and arrived in Cuba shortly thereafter. During his acquaintanceship with FERIA, he has proven himself to be anti-Communist and a natural born leader. He asserted that FERIA suffered an accident during the Spanish Civil War, which has resulted in permanent injury, and he did not believe FERIA would actually be physically able to fight again. He described FERIA as about fifty years of age, and stated he currently resides at 1651 West Flagler Street, Miami, in a rooming house. He also advised FERIA did not have a formal education, and was unemployed at the present time. He believed FERIA, during his presence in the Dominican Republic (DR), had worked for Generalissimo RAFAEL TRUJILLO, leader of the DR. MASFERRER volunteered to present FERIA to the Miami Office.

MASFERRER stated he was a personal friend of ANSELMO ALIEGRO, former president of the Cuban Senate during the BATISTA regime, currently residing at Miami in exile. He stated ALIEGRO had helped him financially on several occasions, not further described, as he had helped other Cuban exiles when they first arrived from Cuba without funds or the means of living. He stated he did not believe ALIEGRO, to his knowledge, had sent a group to Cuba, indicating he believed if such had been the case, he would have had knowledge of same.

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MASFERRER also advised he was acquainted with JULIO IGLESIAS, former President of Shell Petroleum Oil Company in Cuba, but that since his, MASFERRER's, arrival in Miami, he had not conversed with or received any support, financial or otherwise, from IGLESIAS. He indicated IGLESIAS resides in West Palm Beach, Florida, at the present time, and he did not have any knowledge of IGLESIAS being engaged in any Cuban counterrevolutionary activities.

MASFERRER stated he had contacted the "Diario Las Americas", a Spanish language newspaper printed daily in Miami, asking they inform their readers that the afore-mentioned story which appeared in the "Miami News" on September 20, 1960, was entirely false. He also indicated he planned to contact the "Miami News" personally and so inform them the story was not true, and ask them to print a retraction of the story.

On September 22, 1960, ROLANDO MASFERRER voluntarily advised that an article had appeared in the "Diario Las Americas" on September 22, 1960, reflecting that the alleged trip of MASFERRER and FERIA to Cuba was not true, and further, that MASFERRER had not sponsored or sent a group to Cuba to fight CASTRO forces. He also advised that he had been in contact with the "Miami News", and was informed they would print a retraction of the article of September 20, 1960. He indicated he was meeting with a reporter of the "Miami News" on September 23, 1960, with FERIA, and hoped the "Miami News" would publish their photographs with the forthcoming article.

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It is believed by some associates of MASFERRER and other Cubans in exile in Miami that the foregoing individuals, during their stay in Miami as Cuban political exiles, were actually working for the CASTRO Government of Cuba. It was noted that if the Cuban Government changes hands, that those individuals now associated with the current Government of Cuba will, in turn, ask for political asylum in the United States.

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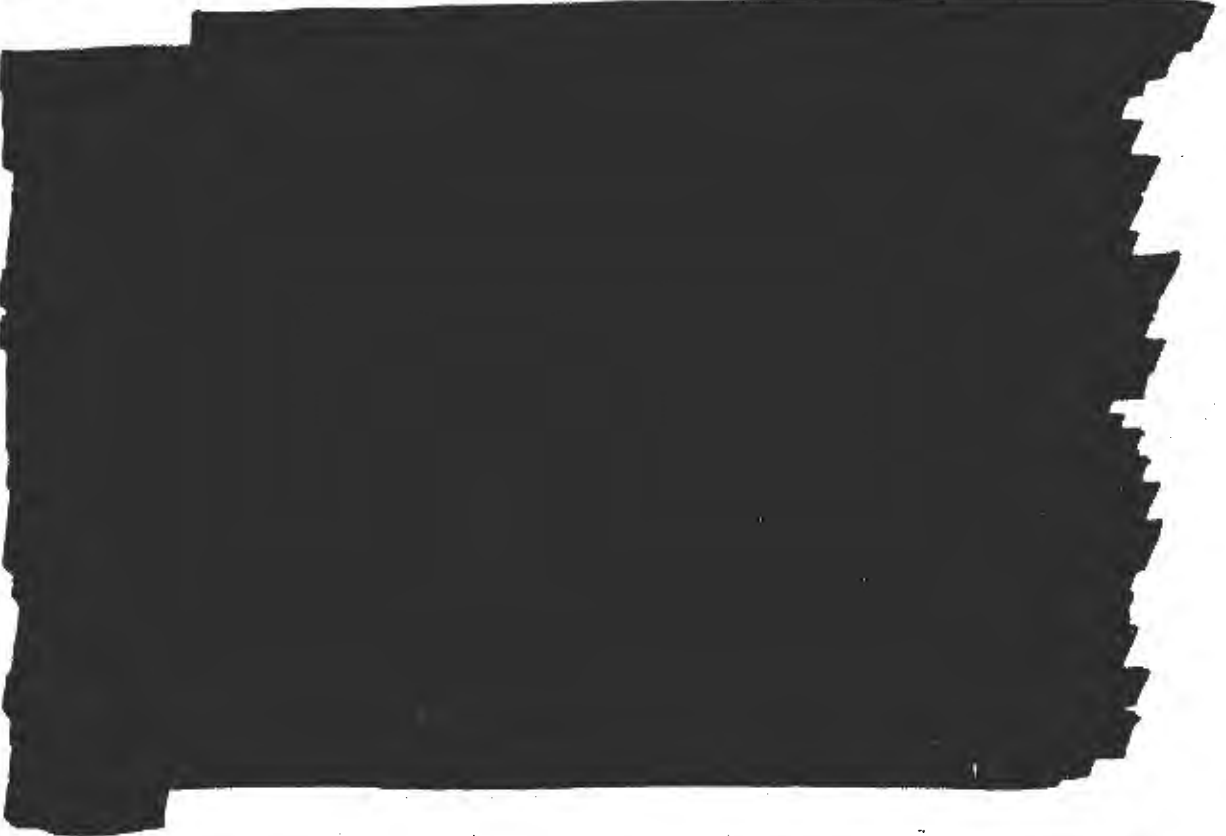
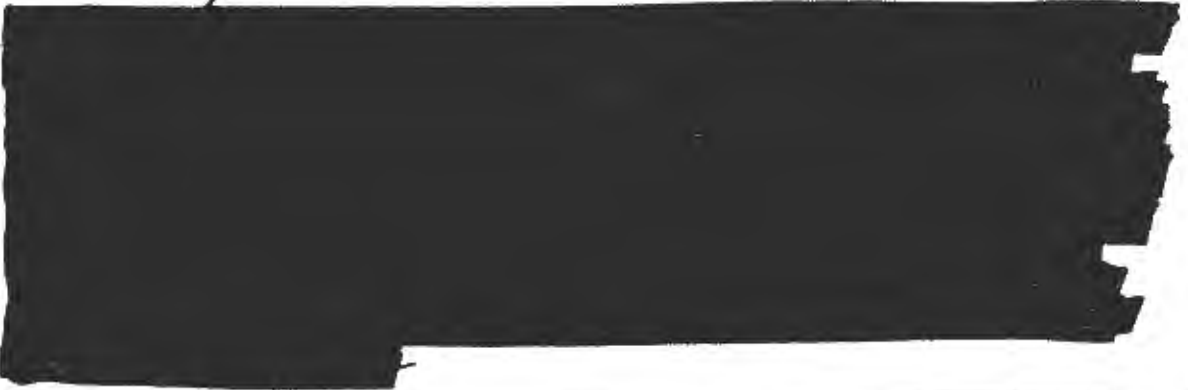
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He stated that information contained in the article which recently appeared in the "Miami News" on September 20, 1960, alleging that MASFERRER's invaders of Cuba were financially backed by ANSELMO ALIEGRO, JULIO IGLESIAS and another exile was incorrect in several particu-

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lars. He stated that IGLESIAS was not, and had not in the past been connected with ROLANDO MASFERRER or the events referred to in the article. He also advised that IGLESIAS sent a letter to the "Miami Daily News" September 28, 1960, informing them of the above, and indicated that he still had a number of members of his immediate family residing in Cuba.

A mimeographed "throw-away" pamphlet entitled, "Libertad" (Liberty) dated October 2, 1960, published by ROLANDO MASFERRER, mentioned that Captain ARMENTINO FERIA, aka "El Indio" (The Indian), described as a veteran of the Spanish Civil War and of the Sierra Maestra campaign in Cuba during the CASTRO revolution, was a leader of the Ejercito Nacional Cubana (Cuban National Army) (ENC) in Cuba. The article indicated the invasion force had landed at Central Tanama, Cayo Mambi, north coast of Oriente Province, Cuba. It indicated there were thirty-seven soldiers captured who were armed with modern, Czechoslovakian weapons, and the first victory of the ENC had not lost a single man and had killed nine individuals described as Communists. The article indicated that more than one hundred citizens of Cuba assisted in the march with them into the hills near the Miguel River.

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II. INVASION OF CUBA,
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PEREZ

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, 1900 S. W. 21st Terrace, Miami, was interviewed at his residence. At the outset of the interview, he was informed of the Provisions of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1948, as Amended; the Neutrality Act; and, cautioned against making false statements to the FBI. He was also informed he did not have to make any statements and any statement he made could be used against him in a court of law. He was also advised he had the right to consult an attorney.

He advised that the successful expedition to Cuba under the leadership of ARMENTINO FERIA PEREZ, also known as "El Indio," described as a former political trouble-shooter for MASFERRER in Cuba, had arrived on the northeast coast of Cuba on or about October 3, 1960. He stated the invaders consisted of former professional Army and military men in Cuba, and members of defunct organizations known as Milicias Anti-Comunistas Obreras y Campesinas (MOAC) (Anti-Communist Laborers and Farmers Militia); Commission for Reorganization of the Armed Forces of Cuba (CROFAC); and, the Unidad de las Fuerzas Armadas de Cuba (United Armed Forces of Cuba) (UFA). He indicated there were fifty-seven members of the invading party, including three Americans, BOBBY FULLER, TONY ZARBA and PAUL HUGHES.

He stated approximately fifty Cuban Revolutionary Army men were captured immediately upon their landing in Cuba, and the services of these men were utilized to carry arms and supplies into the foothills. He explained that on October 6, 1960, the Cuban Government-controlled radio station "Radio Progreso" announced FERIA had been killed and ARTURO ALVAREZ, former Sergeant in the Cuban National Army during the regime of former President FULGENCIO BATISTA, had been captured. MASFERRER surmised that the group of invaders had lost control of their prisoners, and that possibly one or more had escaped and informed the CASTRO Cuban Revolutionary Army of the invaders' location.

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MASFERRER explained that the participants of the invasion left from the southern part of the United States to various islands in the Bahama group where they remained for a short period of time, varying from several hours to several days. He explained that in this manner the invasion began from a neutral country. He indicated four boats had participated in this movement, one of which was named the "Aladino." He estimated that approximately 120 boat trips had been made to the Bahamas since his arrival in the United States around April, 1959. He indicated these trips had been financed principally through voluntary contributions, and explained that there had not been any substantial individual donations. He advised the "Aladino" was currently in Miami and would undoubtedly continue to make trips to the Bahama Islands.

MASFERRER also related he planned to go to Cuba via the Bahamas, exact location unknown, when he had successfully placed about one thousand men in the hills of Oriente Province, Cuba.

He advised that through an intermediary he had been in contact with MANUEL MARTINEZ GUESA, military leader and member of the Frente Revolucionario Democrático (FRD), and he offered to join the FRD provided this organization would manifest freedom of all prisoners in Cuba and forget personal animosities in their fight against CASTRO. Further, that upon the successful overthrow of the CASTRO Government of Cuba, law and order would prevail and all individuals accused of wrongdoing would be tried under due process of law.

MASFERRER continued that his closest associates were PEDRO SALVA MONTERO, former labor leader and head of an organization known as FLAN; CARLOS ZAYAS, Editor of "Libertad," throw-away pamphlet published by MASFERRER; JULIO FERNANDEZ TREVEJO, former administrator of the Hotel Nacional, Havana, Cuba; MIGUEL TABERNERO, Cuban congressman from Oriente; RICARDO MEDINA, former Major

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in Cuban National Police; RAUL CORZO, former Coronel on General Staff of the Cuban National Army; JORGE GARCIA TUNON, former General of the Cuban National Army; CARLOS SAN MARTIN, former Lieutenant Colonel on the Staff of Operations of the Cuban National Army, who received training from the U. S. Army; and, JOSEFINA CANOSA MOREJON, wife of former Captain of the Cuban National Army, whose husband had been executed by FIDEL CASTRO. He indicated that these individuals met at least once a week at various homes of the aforementioned, but most usually at 28 S. W. 13th Avenue, Miami, the former office of CROFAC and residence of CARLOS SAN MARTIN. FLP
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ROLANDO MASFERRER also advised that recently the following individuals, at his suggestion, had volunteered their services to, and had been accepted into the FRD. He indicated they were no longer believed to be in the Miami area:

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The "Miami Daily News" in an article on October 7, 1960, entitled "3 More Invasions of Cuba, Officials Mum" by the Associated Press, announced that FIDEL CASTRO's government of Cuba had on October 7, 1960, clamped secrecy on operations against a band of invaders who reportedly had escaped to the mountains after landing on the Northeastern tip of Cuba. The article indicated that a reliable source reported four separate invading groups totaling two hundred men landed during the week, not confirmed. The Cuban Government admitted only one landing estimated to consist of twenty-seven men, and said the leader was killed and two of the band captured. The others got away. A communique, according to the article, said two Americans were among the twenty-four survivors of the landing who were headed for the mountains after landing. The invaders were accused of seizing fifty Cuban farmers as hostages and

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fleeing with them to a mountainous region, Nuevo Mundo (New World). The leader of the band, ARGENTINO FERIA, according to the article, was described as a former captain in the private army of ex-Cuban Senator ROLANDO MASFERRER.

Details of the clash with the invaders, according to the article, were skimpy and the communique reported seizure of a large American flag, a book on United States Army regulations, and seven American carbines.

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ROLANDO MASFERRER, 1900 S. W. 21st Terrace, Miami, was advised he did not have to make a statement, and any statements made by him could be used against him in a court of law. He was told he had the right to consult an attorney prior to making any statements, at which time he stated he fully understood the laws of the United States and respected them. He was also informed that it was a Federal offense to furnish false information to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

He stated he believed that former Cuban Senator SANTIAGO ALVAREZ RODRIGUEZ, owner of the boats "MARY ANN" and "ALISAN" had gone fishing for the weekend.

At this time, MASFERRER seemed elated, but stated he did not have any additional plans concerning further invasions of Cuba. He indicated that he planned to train and equip approximately one thousand men in the islands in the Bahamas group, not further named. He stated that upon the completion of their training he would join them for an invasion of Cuba. He indicated that he would inform the Federal Bureau of Investigation either just prior to his departure from Miami or send a messenger to inform the Federal Bureau of Investigation just after his departure from the island. He would not be specific and reiterated that he fully understood the laws of the United States and respected them.

MASFERRER was unable to furnish any additional information concerning the recent group of invaders in Cuba.

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On October 10, 1960, SANTIAGO VALVAREZ, 3373
N. W. 17th Street, Miami, advised SA [REDACTED] ^{CUBA}
that he had been fishing in the Keys during the past week-
end. He stated he was the owner of the "ALISAN" and that
he did not possess any pertinent information concerning
the alleged invasion of Cuba by MASFERRER supporters. He
stated, however, that he had heard rumors from undisclosed
individuals at his service station, that FERIA was believed
to still be alive and had been in contact with the American
Consulate in Santiago de Cuba, not further described.

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among a group of fifty-seven individuals who participated in the invasion of Cuban territory reported as having taken place on September 25, 1960. The invasion force consisted of four Americans while the remainder were Cuban Nationals. Arms for the invasion were obtained at an island North of Oriente Province, Cuba, and did not come from the United States. No American flag was carried by the invaders. (X)u

The invasion force landed at Cayo Mambi near Moa Bay, Cuba. They seized the garrison there, killing nine and capturing thirty-seven Cubans. Food and arms were obtained. Their plans are to advance toward Guantanamo seizing garrisons on the way. In conjunction with this movement, the anti-CASTRO forces in the mountains are supposed to launch their attacks from the mountains. Further details regarding the movements of the invasion forces are not known [REDACTED] (b7c, b7d)

On October 12, 1960, an article appeared in "Revolucion" captioned, "21 Invaders to be Judged Today in Santiago de Cuba. Looking for 5 More, 3 Americans Among Them". "Revolucion" is a Spanish language daily newspaper published in Havana, Cuba and is self-described as the "organ of the 26th of July Movement". The article when translated, read as follows:

"The Defense Ministry informed that the results of the combined operations of the Rebel Army and the Militia against a group of war criminals and foreign mercenaries who disembarked between Moa and Baracoa on October 5th are as follows:

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"Dead:

"1. ARMENTINO FERIA (head of the expedition).

"Prisoners:

"1. ANTHONY ZARBA (North American)

2. ARTURO ALVAREZ (second in charge of the group)

3. NELSON TRUJILLO

4. FULGENCIO ~~RODRIGUEZ~~ PALADON

5. ANDRES CAPOTE MEDINA

6. FELIPE P. RIVERO PEREZ

7. HECTOR ~~CORVO~~ ACOSTA

8. ENRIQUE TORRES

9. MIGUEL ~~LOPEZ~~ BARROSO

10. ADOLFO REYES DE LA CRUZ

11. WILFREDO ~~RIVERON~~ MARTINEZ

12. FRANCISCO CASTRILLEJO SABULIT

13. ARMANDO ~~SOSA~~ FORTUNY

14. ARTURO ~~SOSA~~ FORTUNY

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- "15. ~~LAUREL DIAZ JIMENEZ~~
16. OSCAR NORIEGA GONZALEZ
17. ~~CARLOS FAUSTO MARISCAL~~
18. ~~RENE GONZALEZ SANTANA~~
19. ~~PEDRO SOTO ZAYAS~~
20. DESIDERIO L. FONTELA RUIZ
21. ~~CLEMENTE A. TERRY~~
~~CLEMENTE ALBERTO TERRY~~

"Among those who are being sought are the following:

- "1. ALLAN D. THOMPSON (North American)
2. PAUL HUGUES (North American)
3. ROBERT O. FULLER (son of the owner of the Lewiston Finca, near San German, Oriente)
4. ~~JUAN GONZALEZ GONZALEZ~~
5. ~~ANGEL RIVERO SANCHEZ~~

"The Rebel Army and the Militia have had no difficulties, and the search for these men continues.

"Tomorrow, Wednesday, in Santiago de Cuba, the prisoners will be tried before a Revolutionary Tribunal.

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"Interviews with the Militia

"This consists of interviews with a series of militiamen, all of whom state that these people can 'try to invade Cuba, but they will never leave Cuba alive. Let them come, we are ready for them, etc.'

"TRIAL TODAY AT 9:00 A.M.

"Santiago de Cuba, October 11.--At nine a.m. today in the Palace of Justice, the trial of twenty people charged with disembarking in the Bahia de Navas, between Moa and Baracoa, will begin. The presiding judge will be Captain ~~SENEN CASAS REGUEIRO~~, and the prosecutor will be Lieutenant ~~DAVID DIAZ DE LA ROCHA~~. (CESAR ~~MARIN~~, Correspondent)." (CUBA)

On October 13, 1960, "El Mundo", a daily Spanish language newspaper published in Havana, Cuba, contained an article entitled, "REACH DECISIONS IN SUMMARY TRIALS OF SANTA CLARA AND SANTIAGO", reading as follows:

**"DEATH PENALTY FOR COLLABORATORS
AND MERCENARIES**

"Proved that they came to Navas Bay from Miami in a boat manned by persons of the United States.

"Sentences confirmed last night.

"8 sentenced to death; 13 to 30 years; 2 to 20; 1 woman to 10 years; another to 2 and 2 found not guilty,

"By ~~PABLO MILA MORTIZ~~ 108A

"Today (Thursday), eight of the twenty-seven counterrevolutionaries who landed in Navas Bay, between Moa and Baracoa, Oriente, will have been shot at dawn. The military court also sentenced three of the defendants to thirty years in prison, two to twenty, one to ten, another to two and two were found not guilty.

"Death before a firing squad was the sentence given to the following: FULGENCIO RODRIGUEZ PALACIOS, NELSON TRUJILLO CORREA, ADOLFO REYES DE LA CRUZ, ANDRES CAPOTE MEDINA, ARTURO ALVAREZ FERNANDEZ, DESIDERIO L. FONTELA RUIZ, FELIPE R. RIVERO PEREZ, and United States citizen, ANTHONY ZARBA.

"The following were sentenced to thirty years in prison: WILFREDO ~~RIVERON~~ MARTINEZ, ARTURO SOSA FORTUNY, FRANCISCO ~~CASTRILLEJO~~ SABUILT, OSCAR ~~MORIEGA~~ GONZALEZ, CARLOS FAUSTO MARISCAL, RENE TOMAS ~~GONZALEZ~~ SANTANA, HECTOR CORVO ACOSTA, LAUREL DIAZ JIMENEZ, MIGUEL LOPEZ BARROSO, ENRIQUE TORRES PEREZ, CLEMENTE ALBERTO TERRY, PEDRO RAFAEL ~~SOTO~~ LAYAS and ARMANDO SOSA FORTUNY.

"The following were sentenced to twenty years: RAFAEL ~~ALVAREZ~~ and ABELARDO ~~ARAFET~~. ESTRELLA GUZMAN was sentenced to ten years and RITA SALMON DELY was sentenced to two.

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"~~MARIO OLIVER~~ MENDEZ and ~~LUIS~~
~~ESTEVEZ~~ SILO were found not guilty.

"A large number of people attended the trial which was held in the Court House of Santiago de Cuba. The United States Consul in this city was present at the trial from beginning to end. Shortly before the trial, he spoke briefly with defendant ANTHONY ZARBA.

"During the trial, fifteen of the invaders wore uniforms of the United States Army with camouflage painting on them, and they wore high campaign boots.

"ANTHONY ZARBA

"ANTHONY ZARBA was the first to make a statement. Through an interpreter, in answer to questions put to him by the prosecutor, he said that he was born in Boston and that he did not know that he was coming to Cuba for the purpose of fighting. He said that he left a port in Florida in a very slow boat along with two comrades and that three days later, they came to a key, whose name he did not remember, and that there they boarded another ship which carried arms and the rest of the invaders.

"He added that they reached Bahia de Navas during the night and they landed at dawn. In the first encounter with the Army forces and the revolutionary militia, ARMENTINO FERIA, known as 'El Indio' and former captain under BATISTA, was killed and another was wounded.

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"He said that he did not want to continue in that action but to go back to his country. That was why he went back to the beach and was trying to escape to Miami when he was caught. He added that an acquaintance named ROBERT FULLER, who came on the boat and who has escaped, was the one who got him into this adventure. He said that he had come to Havana as a tourist once and had stayed a week. He denied having seen the United States flag which the counterrevolutionaries had with them.

"FULGENCIO RODRIGUEZ

"FULGENCIO RODRIGUEZ PALADON, veteran of BATISTA's army, said that he was working in Miami as a barber and that he met 'El Indio' there, but he did not know that he was a MASFERRER follower and a murderer. FERIA had told him that Cuba was controlled by Russian and Chinese Communists and that there were five rebel uprisings going on. He said that he came to fight against the Russians and the Chinese and not against the rebels. He added that from things that were being said in Miami, he believed that there were many rebel uprisings, and that had he thought otherwise, he would never have come with twenty-six other invaders to fight against the rebels. He said that he had left for Miami last July and that he was deceived by the slander campaign which is going on there. He added that he preferred being a prisoner in his own country than being in Miami where he was earning \$150.00 as a barber. He admitted that he had been treated well at all times and he praised the patriotism of the farmers' militia and the rebel soldiers.

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"NELSON TRUJILLO

"The third to make a statement was the veteran, NELSON TRUJILLO CORREA, who said that he had been assigned to Camp Columbia for three years and that he was now in Miami without work, and that there they had told him that there were 5,000 rebels in an uprising.

"He said that he had no case pending in court and that he did not know 'El Indio'. He had been in Miami for nine months and the Immigration authorities had given him some documents in which he stated that he was a political exile.

"ADOLFO REYES DE LA CRUZ

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"ADOLFO REYES DE LA CRUZ, who had been expelled from the Rebel Army, said that he arrived in Miami in a boat and that he was living at the Hotel Cuba. He said that he was tired of Miami where he had been for a month and a half without any money, and that he was enlisted in this adventure by ARMENTINO FERIA. He did not know the others who were on the boat. He added that he did not know how to read and that he had come to Cuba with the hope of working and not fighting, since he had thrown away his arms without firing a shot.

"ANDRES CAPOTE

"CAPOTE said that he was 20 years old and that he had been a soldier in Matanzas for nine months.

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"He had fled to Miami with five other soldiers on a fishingboat. In Miami, ROBERTO ~~PEREZ~~ had ^{FAA} talked him into going to Cuba to fight and had given him a gun and some bullets. He said that FERIA had threatened to kill him and that he had done everything possible to avoid transferring to the other boat when they reached the island which was their first stopping place. He added that two North Americans manned the boat and that the name of the ship was in English. He said that he had given up without resistance.

"ARTURO ALVAREZ FERNANDEZ

"The second chief of the invasion, ARTURO ALVAREZ FERNANDEZ, joined the army in October of 1952. He left Cuba because he killed the three LAMBERT brothers during a party in Baracao, for which he had been sentenced and then later pardoned during the BATISTA government. He said that he had not been told that they were coming to Cuba in order to fight and that he knew nothing about FERIA or of the list of civilians that they were supposed to contact. He said that he saw the United States flag when it was taken out of FERIA's back pocket after he was killed.

"ALVAREZ said that he left Cuba in a boat and that when he came to Miami, they did not ask him for documents or bother him in any way.

"DESIDERIO FONTELA RUIZ

"This man who had been expelled from the National Revolutionary Police was the sixth to make a statement. He said that he had left Cuba on the encouragement of a captain friend of his who told

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"him that he would earn a lot of money in Miami. He said that there is a constant campaign of slander against the Cuban revolution going on in Miami and that the Cuban refugees meet every night in Bayfront Park. He said that while he was in Miami he was unable to find work and that when he had embarked he did not know that he was coming to fight against rebel soldiers.

"FELIPE P. RIVERO PEREZ

"This former seaman said that he had been in Miami for four months and that he had come to Cuba to fight against the Russians. He said also that he had fled from Cuba in a boat and that he did not know that MASFERRER was a murderer and that he had given himself up to a militiaman.

"WILFREDO RIVERO MARTINEZ

"This truck driver, native of Las Villas, said that he met FERIA in Miami a week ago and the latter had deceived him, saying that there were three or four thousand rebels in the mountains of Cuba. He said that he had been deceived by the campaign of slander which was taking place in Miami. He said that the gun and ammunition were given him to fight against the Communists in Cuba. He said that after he was captured, he was treated very well.

"ARTURO SOSA FORTUNY

"This defendant refused to make a statement.

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"FRANCISCO CASTRILLEJO

"He said that he left Cuba in January of 1958 as a stowaway on a Panamanian boat in order to get a job and then he came to Miami on another boat as a member of the crew. There, the exiles told him that the Cuban government was controlled by foreigners.

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"The following counterrevolutionaries refused to make statements: CLEMENTE ALBERTO TERRY, MIGUEL LOPEZ BARROSO, RENE TORRES GONZALEZ, ARMANDO SOSA FORTUNY, HECTOR CORVO ACOSTA, and CARLOS FAUSTO MARISCAL.

"The telephone operator in the Los Angeles Clinic, RITA SALMON DELY, said that she did not know what was going on and that she met MASFERRER in the home of the family of Dr. ORTIZ.

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"The other defendant, ESTRELLA GUZMAN MADRIAGA, said that she did not know how a package containing medicines for the invaders reached her house.

"REPORT OF THE PROSECUTOR

"After the report by the prosecutor, the hearing was ended and the sentences were meted out. The prisoners were removed from the court room and the crowd which had gathered all around the building kept shouting 'Firing squad, firing squad.'

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"THE FUGITIVES

"ALLAN D. THOMPSON, PAUL HUGHES, ROBERT O. FULLER, United States citizens, the last of whom is the son of an estate owner in Oriente, are fugitives from justice. So are JUAN GONZALEZ GONZALEZ and ANGEL RIVERO SANCHEZ."

An article appearing in "Revolucion" on October 13, 1960, contained the following additional pertinent information:

"Santiago de Cuba, October 12.--When the Superior Appellate Court closed today, they had refused an appeal by the prisoners, which constitutes confirmation of their sentences. This Court was made up of Commander REINERIO JIMENEZ LAGE, President: members, Captain IGNACIO LEAL and Lieutenants RENE AVILA OCHOA, RODRIGO GONZALEZ and TOMAS PADRO SANCHEZ, with Captain EUGENIO TERUEL acting as Prosecutor.

"According to the sentences, the eight mercenaries will be executed at 5:00 a.m. at San Juan Field."

"THE SENTENCES

"The trial of the mercenaries ended about 8:40 p.m. tonight when the President of the Tribunal, Captain SENEN CASAS REGUEIRO, read the sentence against the prisoners."

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Other members of the Tribunal were listed as:
"Captains ~~FELIX MENDOZA~~ and ~~FERNANDO RUIZ CRAVO~~, Ensign
~~AGUSTIN RUMBAUT~~ and Lieutenant ~~LUIS FARINAS~~. Lawyers for the
defense were appointed by the State and were ~~MODESTO BELL~~
~~BADELL~~, ~~ARNOLD PORTUONDO~~ and ~~SIGERIDE SOLIS DE LEON~~... ZARBA,
since he spoke no Spanish, was assisted throughout the
trial by ~~ROBERTO ANDRADE~~, an interpreter."

On October 13, 1960, the "Miami News" contained
an article captioned, "ZARBA Confident He Would Die With
Pride". Included in the article was a copy of a letter
reportedly written by TONY ZARBA to "BOB", believed to be
ROBERT FULLER, which is as follows:

"Dear BOB: Today I leave for the Cuban hills.
I am going to fight against communism that has come
so close to our American shores. All this could
have been prevented by our government. Now the
time has come when all this can be fixed only
one way -- fighting.

"When my country is daily insulted and abused
by the Commies of Cuba, I think that this is the
opportunity I missed when I could not qualify
physically as a U. S. soldier because of my
asthma.

"But where my generation is failing for its
lack of political maturity and comprehension, I am
going to do my duty regardless of any foolish
considerations about legality, neutrality and
other technicalities of which the diabolic
Communist takes so much advantage.

"You have known me for many years and we have
had occasion to discuss this subject, here, in
California and in many other places.

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"I have confidence that God would give me the necessary strength and courage to die with honor and pride if this were necessary in the hills or in front of a Red firing squad.

"I am sure many others will follow in my steps. BOB, God bless you and your wife and your family. TONY".

On October 14, 1960, Assistant Attorney General J. WALTER YEAGLEY advised the Department of Justice was withholding an opinion concerning a violation of the Neutrality Statute regarding the aforementioned expedition at this time. He stated that various facets have to be explored before a decision can be reached, and that the Federal Bureau of Investigation would be promptly advised when a decision was made.

On October 17, 1960, the "Miami Herald" contained an article entitled "2 Americans Slain by Cuban Squad". The article, datelined Havana, Cuba, by United Press, related that ROBERT OTIS FULLER, 25, of 1874 S. W. 12th Street, Miami, who had spent his childhood in Eastern Cuba, and ALLEN DALE THOMPSON, 36, "a down on his luck fisherman" from Queens City, Texas and Mooring Port, Louisiana, were executed by Cuban firing squad before dawn on Sunday, October 16, 1960, upon orders of a military court in Cuba. The execution, according to the article, took place on a rifle range outside of Santiago de Cuba, only a few hours after the two Americans were captured and convicted. They were accused of taking part in an invasion force which landed at Eastern Oriente Province early this month with the aim of overthrowing the FIDEL CASTRO government of Cuba.

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On October 25, 1960, ROLANDO MASFERRER, during the course of another investigation, advised SAs (b7c) AND [REDACTED] that the names of the individuals referred to in "El Mundo" on October 13, 1960, were, in fact, members or supporters of his who had been in the United States.

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On November 1, 1960, the "Miami News" contained an article captioned "Cuban Ex-Colonel Forms Army Here". The article reported a 37-year-old former Lieutenant Colonel in the Cuban Army during the regime of former President FULGENCIO BATISTA had been designated by exiles as head of a "Cuban National Army". PABLO RAUL CORZO VIZAGUERRE

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announced November 1, 1960, he had been requested to organize all former Cuban Army personnel into a united force against FIDEL CASTRO. The article continued that CORZO stated he had no political connections, and did not belong to anyone's group. He indicated that he had conversed with approximately 300 former Army men which, according to the article, resulted in his decision to become organized.

The article stated that former Cuban Senator ROLANDO MASFERRER was present at a meeting presided over by CORZO, at which time he stated, "This doesn't mean that the national army belongs to MASFERRER . . . but he and any other Cuban interested in fighting CASTRO is welcome to join their ranks." The article indicated CORZO had been a military career officer in Cuba, and had received training in the United States at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. At the time of the overthrow of the BATISTA Government, CORZO was in Italy on an official mission, according to the article.



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III. BACKGROUND DATA CONCERNING
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On November 4, 1960, a Puerto Rican photographer, not further described, reportedly had planned to depart with the group of trainees in order to take actual photographs showing that the MASFERRER group was in earnest in its attempt to overthrow the FIDEL CASTRO Government in Cuba. This photographer was at the house at 1651 W. Flagler Street with ANDREW ST. GEORGE, photographer for "Life" magazine, on November 3, 1960. FLA

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IV. INTERVIEWS OF MASFERRER
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AND PRINCIPALS AT MIAMI,
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On November 7, 1960, a physical examination and observation of all accessible roads and paths were made in an effort to locate two automobiles and a trailer, bearing 1960 Florida license plates 1W11269, 1-152471 and 1N4010. In addition, the farm of PUBLIO CARBONELL was located on the east side of Big Pine Key. Located on the property are three buildings, two wooden two-story cottages and one permanently installed trailer. On the north side of the center cottage, all of which face the Gulf of Mexico, was observed five rolls of new tar paper. Also, a boat approximately sixteen feet long on a trailer was observed at the rear of the middle cottage. There were no individuals located on the property of CARBONELL.

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Date 11/9/60

On November 7, 1960, arrangements were made through the commanding officer of the U. S. Naval Station, Key West, Florida, to use an outboard motor boat to transport Agents of the FBI to No Name Key.

On November 8, 1960, Special Agents [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] travelled from Big Pine Key to No Name Key, approximately 30 minutes motor time, in a Navy outboard motor boat. The following members of the U. S. Navy acted as crew:

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[REDACTED]

Upon arrival at No Name Key, physical observation was made from the point of arrival to the camp site approximately 1 1/3 miles' distance. While proceeding to the camp site, physical observation was made of the surrounding area and there was no indication of any paths or other trails observed en route. It is to be noted that much of the land is marsh.

The camp site consists of a clearing of trees in an open field with an old two-room wooden shack, which is deteriorated and run down. This building is being utilized to store the provisions and supplies for the men on the island. A physical inspection of the building inside and out revealed one roll of new tar paper was located inside the building, and other provisions for the men. There were folding Army canvas cots with mosquito netting for each cot located in the general vicinity of the building. A physical inspection of the surrounding area and the camping equipment of the men failed to disclose any firearms. A .22 shell casing, which had been fired,

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was observed approximately 100 feet west of the building.

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During the course of the inspection, every man present voluntarily allowed his photograph to be taken in a group photograph and offered his assistance wherever possible.

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On November 9, 1960, ROLANDO MASFERRER was interviewed in the vicinity of 1651 West Flagler Street, Miami. At the outset of the interview he was advised that he did not have to make a statement, he had the right to consult an attorney, and any statement made by him could be used against him in a court of law. He was advised of the provisions of the Neutrality Act and the possible violation of attempting to conspire to overthrow another country with which the United States is at peace. He was also informed that it was a Federal offense to furnish false information to the FBI. No threats or promises were made to MASFERRER, and he furnished the following information voluntarily.

He acknowledged that he had been responsible for the 27-man invasion under the leadership of ARMENTINO FERIA PEREZ into Cuba, which resulted in the death of many of the men. He explained that he was profoundly sorry for having been responsible for this in some manner. However, he stated that all of the men had volunteered to participate in such an expedition because they were strongly opposed to communism. He related that it was a well known fact the FIDEL CASTRO Government of Cuba is merely a communist satellite of Russia. He related that he had many supporters who had previously been associated with the following defunct organizations:

Militia Anticomunista Obreras y Campesinas (MAOC)
(Anti-Communist Laborers and Farmers Militia)

Cuba
~~X~~ Comision Reorganizadora de las Fuerzas Armadas de Cuba (CROFAC) ~~X~~ Reorganized Commission of the Armed Forces of Cuba

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He estimated that he had approximately 400 supporters upon which he could count for any type of support if so requested. He indicated that he estimated that perhaps 1,000 men would then join with his organization if his 400 supporters were organized.

In this connection he advised that representatives of approximately 23 organizations, either defunct or merely paper organizations, or with a common purpose, anti-communist and anti-CASTRO, had a meeting on November 2, 1960, in downtown Miami, exact location not stated. At this time, according to MASFERRER, the Junta de Liberacion Nacional (JLN) (Board of National Liberation) was formed. This new organization consists of a board of seven men. They are:

ROLANDO MASFERRER

FRANCISCO ORUE (former Mayor of Marianao)

RAMIRO DE LA FE (brother of ERNESTO DE LA FE, currently serving a life-time sentence in the Isle of Pines)

SABAS GONZALEZ (an engineer and permanent resident of the United States resided in FLA Miami for the past 20 years)

RICARDO VILLA (Cuban exile residing Miami) CUBA FLA

RAUL CORZO (former military leader of the Cuban National Army)

RAUL MENOCAL (son of a former Cuban President).

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ON BOARD OF JUNTA LIBERACION
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He also indicated that RAUL CORZO was the military leader of the Ejercito Nacional Cubana (ENC) (Cuban National Army). He also advised that the following have offered their support to the Junta de Liberacion de Nacional (JLN):

~~RAFAEL DIAZ~~ BALART (leader of the La Rosa Blanca) FLA

~~GITO DEL~~ VALLE (former Cuban Senator and leader of a small movement). CUBA FLA

FRANCISCO ~~J~~ CAJIGAS (leader of the Unidad Cubana de Liberacion) (Cuban Unity for Liberation) ~~FRANCISCO~~ ~~CAJIGAS~~ FLA

CARLOS MARQUEZ STERLING (leader of the Movimiento Del Pueblo Libre) (Movement of the Free People) FLA

~~JULIO FERNANDEZ~~ TRUEJO (former Sales Manager, Hotel Nacional) CUBA FLA

MASFERRER stated that he had been instrumental in making arrangements for some of his supporters who were in dire financial straits to receive free room and board at 1651 West Flagler Street. He explained this is a rooming house operated by ~~CARMEN~~ BATISTA, Manager of the Hotel de Cuba, located 17th Avenue, West Flagler Street. ~~CARMEN~~ BATISTA is not related to former President of Cuba, ~~MARIA~~ FULGENCIO BATISTA. He advised that the house is operated in an orderly fashion similar to a military barracks, and that approximately 25 to 50 individuals eat their meals here, a portion of which sleep here. He explained that in order to prepare the men for a possible invasion of Cuba which might take place in the future, he had made arrangements through EVELIO ALPIZAR, former Cuban Pilot,

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to place the men on No Name Key, Monroe County, Florida. He explained that in this way the men would be less apt to get into any trouble or cause any embarrassment to the city or the country (Miami or the United States). He explained that not only would it be more economical, but the men who were living out of doors as campers would be readying themselves physically and learning to live out of doors. He continued that actually he had not been to this training camp site, but planned to visit this location possibly during the weekend of November 11, 1960. He advised there were no facilities or communications whatsoever at the camp, and it was only accessible by boat.

He reiterated there were no definite plans for an invasion of Cuba or any other country, and explained that in order to not violate the laws of the United States, he planned to use this area as a staging area prior to their removal to an island or a country other than the United States or Cuba. He advised there were no firearms at this island, with the exception of a small rifle and a pistol. He related that the men did not receive a salary, and had not been promised a salary or any monies specifically. He indicated, however, that if and when his group should participate in the successful overthrow of the CASTRO government of Cuba, he hoped to resume life in Cuba and go into politics and have business connections. Should this occur, all of the men with which he was associated and who had supported him in this manner would be rewarded in some way. He continued that if anything should happen to the men, that he would attempt to see that their families were provided for.

MASFERRER furnished two lists of names, stating the first group went to the camp on or about November 1, 1960, and the second group left for the camp on Sunday, November 6, 1960:

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Group #1



NO NAME KEY, FLA.

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Group #2



He advised that the foregoing group of men were in the process of clearing the land and getting space to accommodate approximately 100 additional men. He indicated there were no plans to have these men leave the island, and would inform the FBI should any change in plans occur.

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On November 17, 1960, [REDACTED] Officer, U. S. Border Patrol, Miami, advised that an individual using the name of [REDACTED] claiming to have been born [REDACTED] had been placed under arrest on November 12, 1960, at No Name Key by the U. S. Border Patrol for illegal entry into the U. S. He advised this individual's true name was [REDACTED]

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According to this individual [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

He is described as [REDACTED]

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(b7c) local address, 1651 W. Flagler Street, Miami; permanent address, [REDACTED] His parents are [REDACTED] He stated to U. S. Border Patrol that although he was not now, and never had been a Communist, he desired to be sent to [REDACTED]

stated he is currently incarcerated in the Dade County Jail under deportation orders, awaiting the consent of [REDACTED]

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Miami, Florida

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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November 21, 1960

SAC, Miami

Director, FBI

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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The Attorney General

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BOLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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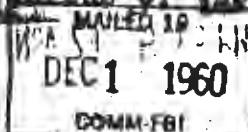
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My letter to you dated September 29, 1960,
captioned "Anti-Fidel Castro Activities, Internal Security -
Cuba" advised that we have been receiving reports from
various sources

The Internal Security Division of the Department
by memorandum dated November 22, 1960, requested this Bureau
to conduct an investigation of captioned individual to
determine if his activities were in violation of neutrality
statutes within the investigative jurisdiction of this Bureau.
Masferrer was a former Cuban Senator during the administration
of former President Fulgencio Batista. In view of the
possible future prosecutive action against Masferrer, I
thought you might be interested in information received by
Agents of our Miami, Florida, Office during the course of
interviews with Masferrer on several occasions and, particularly
on November 9, 1960.

Masferrer stated it is common knowledge among
Latin Americans and those interested in Latin-American affairs,
especially Cubans, that the Frente Revolucionario Democrático
(FRD) is engaged in very large recruiting activity both in
the United States and in some countries in Latin America.
He indicated without being specific that the FRD receives
aid from United States officials in some American Embassies
as well as in the United States. He claimed that this
government through
Tony Varona, a Cuban exile and prominent FRD leader, is
paying hundreds of thousands of dollars in expenses each month.

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The Attorney General

Masferrer further noted that the FRD is permitted to use short-wave facilities not only against the Cuban Government but other factions fighting Castro which have not been placed under the political authority of Varona. In this connection, he advised that he had been attacked by a broadcast directed to Cuba apparently originating in New York.

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Masferrer also indicated that a large majority of the men recruited by the FRD were former members of the Cuban National Army who had fought against Castro in the past while Varona helped Castro in allowing the Russians and Red Chinese to enter Cuba. He claimed that Varona is egotistical to such an extent he is waging a private war against Cuban exiles who are anticommunists and is creating disunity among Cuban exiles.

Masferrer expressed a desire to be able to join the FRD stating he would go along with any completely unified force irrespective of whether or not Varona was the head of such an organization. He stated he would cease all operations in his anti-Castro movement if he was so directed by the United States Government. He claimed he has considered disbanding his organization; however, as a result of a recent meeting of approximately 23 organizations in Miami during the first part of November, 1960, he had received renewed support and, therefore, believed that his endeavors could be of value not only to realize a free peaceful Cuba but a renewed fellowship and warm relationship with the United States.

In view of the statement by Masferrer that he would cease all operations in his anti-Castro movement if he was so directed by the United States Government, he has been advised that his statements have been referred to the Department of State. The above data is also being made available to the Secretary of State and the Central Intelligence Agency.

1 - Mr. Lawrence E. Walsh
Deputy Attorney General

1 - Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

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Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

November 23, 1960

Director, FBI

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to your memorandum dated
November 22, 1960.

(b7c) There is enclosed one copy of the report of
Special Agent [redacted] dated November 17, 1960, at
Miami, Florida, covering information developed to date
concerning the activities of captioned subject.

It is to be noted that Paul Joseph Hughes is
not available for reinterview. He is the subject of a
separate neutrality matter case involving the theft of an
airplane on November 1, 1960, for the express purpose
of bombing Havana. Hughes and the aircraft have not been
found and newspaper reports have indicated the strong
possibility he has crashed at sea.

Additional investigation is being conducted,
and you will be furnished the results promptly upon receipt.

Upon removal of the classified enclosure, this
cover letter becomes unclassified.

Enclosure

2-1622

2 - Miami (enclosures - 2)

ATTENTION: SAC, MIAMI

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DATE 8-24-81

Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum dated
November 22, 1960, from the Department.

It appears that much of the information specifically
requested by the Department has been covered in the above report
of SA [redacted] You should, however, carefully review
the Department's memorandum and conduct such other investi-
gation as may be indicated.

NOTE TO SAC, MIAMI, CONTINUED, PAGE TWO
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Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

NOTE TO MIAMI, CONTINUED

[REDACTED] should be reinterviewed and the results incorporated into a signed statement if possible. [REDACTED]

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(b7d) [REDACTED] You should also attempt to secure a signed statement from [REDACTED]

In addition, various references are made in the report to the activities of Julio (last name unknown) who allegedly was involved in the preparations for the abortive invasion in October. This individual should, of course, be identified [REDACTED]

*meame
Advised
will reach
Bureau 12/14*
All investigation must be afforded immediate attention and the results submitted in report form to reach the Bureau not later than December 7, 1960.

NOTE ON YELLOW:

The Department was requested on October 7 and October 10, 1960, to advise whether information furnished indicated a violation of neutrality statutes, warranting further investigation. The information furnished the Department concerned an invasion ^{force} of 27 men which landed in Cuba. The invasion force was subsequently captured and members executed and imprisoned. Masferrer was allegedly behind this invasion force. The Department's memorandum has requested the Bureau to conduct investigation concerning this matter.

Letter classified "Secret" since the enclosure is so classified. Report is classified "Secret" since it contains information previously classified "Secret" by another Government agency.

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TO CIA - 12/1/68
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Director
Central Intelligence Agency

Masferrer further noted that the FRD is permitted to use short-wave facilities not only against the Cuban Government but other factions fighting Castro which have not been placed under the political authority of Varona. In this connection, he advised that he had been attacked by a broadcast directed to Cuba apparently originating in New York. *ju*

Masferrer also indicated that a large majority of the men recruited by the FRD were former members of the Cuban National Army who had fought against Castro in the past while Varona helped Castro in allowing the Russians and Red Chinese to enter Cuba. He claimed that Varona is egotistical to such an extent he is waging a private war against Cuban exiles who are anticommunists and is creating disunity among Cuban exiles. *ju*

Masferrer expressed a desire to be able to join the FRD stating he would go along with any completely unified force irrespective of whether or not Varona was the head of such an organization. He stated he would cease all operations in his anti-Castro movement if he was so directed by the United States Government. He claimed he has considered disbanding his organization; however, as a result of a recent meeting of approximately 23 organizations in Miami during the first part of November, 1960, he had received renewed support and, therefore, believed that his endeavors could be of value not only to realize a free peaceful Cuba but a renewed fellowship and warm relationship with the United States. *ju*

Masferrer has been advised that his statements and particularly his statement that he would cease all operations in his anti-Castro movement if he was so directed by the United States Government have been referred to the Department of State. *ju*

For your information, the above data was furnished by letters dated November 30, 1960, to the Attorney General and to the Honorable Christian A. Herter, Secretary of State. No other dissemination has been made of the above information.

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Director
Central Intelligence Agency

ATTENTION: SAC, MIAMI

(b7c) Rerep SA [REDACTED] dated November 17, 1960,
at Miami.

The above information being made available to the Central Intelligence Agency is contained in the cover pages of rerep. As indicated above, this data has been furnished to the Attorney General and to the Secretary of State.

Done
You are instructed to have an Agent immediately contact Masferrer and advise him that the information set forth above, and, particularly, his statement that he would cease all operations in his anti-Castro movement if he was so directed by the United States Government, has been made available to the Department of State. The Agent contacting Masferrer should make it explicitly clear that the FBI is not a policy-making bureau of the Government in such matters and that the Bureau cannot suggest to him the course of action he should follow with respect to his anti-Castro activities in the United States and that he should not infer that the FBI approves or disapproves of his activities or is in any manner recommending a course of action for him to follow. *ju*

The Miami Office should promptly advise the Bureau when Masferrer has been so instructed. *ju*

NOTE ON YELLOW:

referred [REDACTED]

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. Parsons
- r. Belmont
1 - Mr. Baumgardner
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Simpson

November 30, 1960

BY LIAISON

7/19/91
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REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2
DATE OF REVIEW 7/19/91

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Honorable Christian A. Herter
The Secretary of State
Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Mr. Herter:

My letter to you dated September 29, 1960,
advised that we have been receiving reports from various
sources that the United States Government is allegedly
backing anti-Castro elements in the United States for
eventual action against Cuba. It was pointed out that
it has been our policy with regard to data received
specifically referring to the alleged support of such
activities by the United States Government to disseminate
such data only to the Central Intelligence Agency.

For your additional information, the Department
of Justice by memorandum dated November 22, 1960, requested
the FBI to conduct an investigation of the activities of
Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas to determine if such
activities were in violation of neutrality statutes within
the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. Masferrer was
a former Cuban Senator during the administration of former
President Fulgencio Batista. In view of this pending
investigation, I thought you might be interested in infor-
mation which was furnished by Masferrer to Agents of our
Miami, Florida, Office during interviews on several
occasions and, particularly, on November 9, 1960.

Masferrer stated it is common knowledge among
Latin Americans and those interested in Latin-American affairs,
especially Cubans, that the Frente Revolucionario Democrático
(FRD) is engaged in very large recruiting activity both in
the United States and in some countries in Latin America.
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Honorable Christian A. Herter

He indicated without being specific that the FRD receives aid from United States officials in some American Embassies as well as in the United States.

referred [REDACTED]

Masferrer further noted that the FRD is permitted to use short-wave facilities not only against the Cuban Government but other factions fighting Castro which have not been placed under the political authority of Varona. In this connection, he advised that he had been attacked by a broadcast directed to Cuba apparently originating in New York.

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Honorable Christian A. Herter

Masferrer has been advised that his comments and particularly his statement that he would cease all operations in his anti-Castro movement if he was so directed by the United States Government have been referred to the Department of State.

Sincerely yours,

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: November 30, 1960

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

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NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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McGuire	_____
Rosen	_____
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Trotter	_____
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Gandy	_____

By letters dated 9-29-60 we advised the Attorney General and the Secretary of State we have been receiving reports from various sources that the United States Government is allegedly backing anti-Castro elements in the United States for eventual attack against Cuba. We advised these officials that it has been our policy with regard to such data, specifically referring to the alleged support of such activities by the United States, to furnish such information only to the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA).

Masferrer was a former Cuban Senator during the Batista regime in Cuba and in recent months has been quite active in activities against Castro. In early October he was behind an invasionary force which left the United States and attacked Cuba. By memorandum dated 11-22-60, the Department requested an investigation of his activities to determine if they were in violation of neutrality statutes within our jurisdiction. This investigation is presently pending. *

Enclosures - 3 *sent 12-1-60*
2-1622

- 1 - Mr. Parsons
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Simpson

* Report of SA [redacted] 11-17-60, Miami sent to Department 11-23-60 contains most of information desired by Department. Very little additional investigation is necessary and is being conducted.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
2-1622

OBSERVATIONS:

In view of Masferrer's comments concerning the FRD and his criticisms of Varona, it is believed desirable this data be made available [REDACTED]. In view of our pending investigation and possible future prosecutive action against Masferrer, it is believed that his comments should be made known to the Attorney General as well as to the Secretary of State and particularly in view of his statement that he would cease all operations in his anti-Castro movement if so directed by the United States Government.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Attorney General, Secretary of State and CIA be furnished the information obtained from Masferrer. Attached for approval are separate letters to the Attorney General, Secretary of State and CIA.

Miami Office is being instructed to have an Agent contact Masferrer and advise him the information he has furnished, and particularly his statement he would cease all operations in his anti-Castro movement if he was so directed by the United States Government, has been made available to the Department of State. It will be made clear to him the FBI is not a policy making Bureau of the Government in such matters and cannot suggest to him a course of action he should follow with respect to his anti-Castro activities in this country and he should not infer that the FBI approves or disapproves of his activities or is in any manner recommending a course of action for him to follow.

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RAD, RWC, J, Q, V, OD, 484, GH, S.

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Date: 12/2/60

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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Parsons	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Malone	_____
Mr. McGuire	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tamm	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Mr. W.C. Sullivan	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Ingram	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NM
(OO: MIAMI)

ReBulet to AAG J. WALTER YEAGLEY 11/23/60.

Enclosed herewith for WFO is copy of relet with
enclosed AAG letter to Bureau dated 11/22/60.

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Approved: _____

62 DEC 8 1960 Special Agent in Charge

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(b7c)
(b7d) WFO is requested to interview [REDACTED]

It is also to be noted that Bureau has requested results be submitted to reach the Bureau not later than 12/7/60.

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Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 12/8/60

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)
 FROM: SAC, WFO (2-270)
 SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
 NM
 (OO:MIAMI)

Re Miami airtel to Director dated 12/2/60,
 captioned as above.

For information of the Bureau and Miami,
 on 12/8/60, [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]

Miami is requested to interview [REDACTED]

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 3- Bureau
 2- Miami (2-156)
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OPTIONAL FORM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Director, FBI (File 2-1622) DATE: 12/6/60

FROM : *BT* SAC, Miami (File 2-156)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, aka
IS - CUBA; RA - CUBA; NM

This case will be delinquent.

Date of Bureau deadline: 12/8/60

Reason for the delinquency: interviewees unavailable

Date the Report or necessary communication will reach the
Bureau: 12/14/60

AEC zone designation, e.g., OR, CH, etc.;
(This applies only to 116 cases.)

No administrative action recommended.

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December 8, 1960

Director, FBI (2-1622)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to Buffalo airtel dated December 3, 1960, captioned "Anti-Fidel Castro Activities, IS - Cuba" and the letterhead memorandum of the same date enclosed therewith.

For the information of the Buffalo Office, the Department under date of November 22, 1960, requested an investigation of captioned individual to determine if his activities may be in violation of neutrality statutes within our jurisdiction. A portion of the activities of Masferrer include the training of a group of individuals on No Name Key, Florida. It appears, therefore, that the individuals mentioned in Buffalo airtel dated December 3, 1960, have been recruited into the Masferrer operation.

(b7c) The Miami Office is instructed to immediately attempt to locate and interview [redacted] who apparently are with the Masferrer group on No Name Key and to determine the details concerning their recruitment into this operation.

The Buffalo Office is not being instructed to interview the parents of these three individuals and a request to interview them is being left to the discretion of the Miami Office depending upon the results of the interviews to be conducted by the Miami Office.

The information contained in referenced Buffalo airtel and enclosed memorandum has not been disseminated at the Seat of Government. Pertinent information contained therein should be incorporated into the investigative report submitted by the Miami Office containing the results of these interviews.

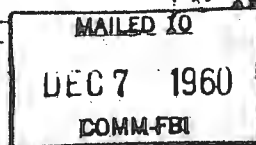
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

ReBulet to Director, CIA, dated 11/30/60.

Pursuant to instructions in relet, ROLANDO MASFERRER
personally advised on 12/6/60.

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(b7c) [redacted] sah

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C.C. Wick

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Approved: [Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

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Per [Signature]

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (109-504)

FROM: SAC, BUFFALO (109-6)

ANTI FIDEL CASTRO ACTIVITIES
IS - CUBA

There is enclosed herewith for the Bureau 9
copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting information re-
ceived today from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was desirous of obtaining information
from this office concerning the anti Fidel Castro activities
for the purpose of [REDACTED]. He was
advised that the FBI files are confidential and that no infor-
mation could be furnished to him.

Copies of the letterhead memorandum are being
furnished to the New York and Miami Offices for information
purposes, and also in case the Bureau is desirous of further
investigation in this matter.

The Bureau is requested to advise Buffalo as
to its desire as to whether [REDACTED]
be interviewed.

ENCLOSURE

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- 3 - Bureau (ARM) (Enc. 18) (Info)
 - 2 - Miami (ARM) (Enc. 18) (Info)
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ROLAND ARCADIO MASFERRE

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REPORTING OFFICE MIAMI	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MIAMI	DATE DEC 15 1960	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 11/18 - 12/6/60
TITLE OF CASE ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, aka		REPORT MADE BY (b7c) [REDACTED]	TYPED BY mf
		CHARACTER OF CASE NM	REC-138 DEC 30 1960 FBI-100

REFERENCES: Report of SA [REDACTED] 11/17/60, Miami. (b7c)
Bulet to Assistant Attorney General
J. WALTER YEAGLEY, 11/23/60.
Miami airtel to Bureau, 12/2/60.

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DETROIT: INFO

One copy of this report is being furnished to Detroit for information purposes, inasmuch as it contains information concerning [REDACTED] aka., NM, subject of Detroit airtel to Bureau, 11/10/60, for completion of their file.

APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW
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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

1. Will continue to follow and report results of any possible prosecution.
2. Will continue to follow subject's activities through informants and established sources.

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Close liaison has been maintained on a current basis with all interested U. S. agencies and the Miami Police Department, Miami, Florida.

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(b7d) During the course of interviews with ROLANDO MASFERRER and [REDACTED] they made additional allegations concerning the Frente Revolucionario Democratico (FRD), which have been incorporated in separate letterhead memorandum to the Bureau.

With respect to the Bureau request set forth in memorandum from the Director, FBI to Director, CIA, dated November 30, 1960, on December 6, 1960, ROLANDO MASFERRER was advised that information previously furnished by him, particularly his statement that he would cease all operations of his anti-CASTRO movement if he was so directed by the U. S. Government, had been made available to the Department of State. It was explicitly pointed out to MASFERRER that the FBI is not a policy-making bureau of the government in such matters, and that the FBI could not suggest to him a course of action which he should follow with respect to his anti-CASTRO activities in the U.S.

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MASFERRER stated that through his long acquaintanceship and dealings with special agents of the FBI, he understood fully, and merely wished to do everything within his power to assist in the immediate overthrow of Communism and the CASTRO government in Cuba, and yet observe and respect the laws of the U. S.

Copies of this report furnished locally to those agencies which have expressed an interest in receiving same.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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2-1622

Title:

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character:

NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Synopsis:

(b7c) On 11/18/60 RUSSELL FREEMAN MASKER, JR. accidentally shot by [redacted] on No Name Key, Monroe County, Fla. On 12/1/60, 13 members who were at No Name Key had returned Miami, Fla., and were arrested for vagrancy, Miami Police Department. Signed statement obtained from [redacted]

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(b7d) [redacted]

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DETAILS:

On November 18, 1960, [REDACTED] U. S. Border Patrol, Miami, telephonically advised SA [REDACTED] that his headquarters had received information via the U. S. Border Patrol radio from Key West, Florida, that one of the men in the group on No Name Key, Florida had shot another man in the stomach; the man who was shot was not further identified.

(b7c) [REDACTED] said he had no additional information other than the brief radio message which did not go into detail.

[REDACTED] related he believed that based on this report, the shooting had occurred on November 18 or possibly during the night of November 17, 1960. He acknowledged that the men on No Name Key were reportedly those associated with ROLANDO MASFERRER.

On November 18, 1960, [REDACTED] Monroe County Sheriff's Office, advised SA [REDACTED] that on this date his office received information a shooting had occurred on No Name Key. [REDACTED] subsequently advised on the same date that investigation by the sheriff's office disclosed that RUSSELL FREEMAN MASKER, JR., had been accidentally shot by another of the same group which had been there for sometime. Before MASKER died, according to [REDACTED] he advised the deputies that he, MASKER, and [REDACTED] had been hunting raccoons when [REDACTED] gun accidentally went off and shot MASKER. [REDACTED] advised that his investigation had disclosed at this time the death appeared to be accidental.

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A memorandum from J. WALTER YEAGLEY, Assistant Attorney General, Internal Security Division, U. S. Department of Justice, to the Director, FBI, dated November 22, 1960, concerning captioned matter, said in part, "We are of the view that the facts surrounding the invasion force which landed in Eastern Cuba in early October, 1960, indicate a possible violation of the Neutrality Statutes".

(b7c) Accordingly, the Department requested that further investigation be conducted concerning this matter, including the re-interview of [REDACTED] on the basis and specific details concerning his recent statements concerning the invasion force which left Miami on or about September 26, 1960.

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The Department also requested that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] be re-interviewed.

[REDACTED]

On September 28, 1960, [REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED]

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On December 1, 1960, [REDACTED]
Miami Police Department, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised
SA [REDACTED] that thirteen men from No Name Key
had been arrested that evening for traffic violation.

[REDACTED] the arrest occurred at 8th
Avenue and West Flagler Street, Miami, when thirteen
men were observed riding in one automobile, and
they were subsequently charged with vagrancy.

(b7c) All of the men furnished their local address
as 1651 West Flagler Street, and indicated they were
members of the Cuban National Army, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] they indicated their leader was
ROLANDO MASFERRER, and they would be in Cuba by Christmas,
1960.

[REDACTED] Fla
[REDACTED] the spokesman for the group
was Lt. KENNETH J. PROCTOR, who informed [REDACTED]
group would leave the United States unarmed and arrive
at an island located in international waters, where they
would be armed before proceeding to invade Cuba.

On December 2, 1960, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Miami Police Department,
advised that the following individuals were in custody,
charged with vagrancy:

KENNETH JOSEPH PROCTOR
[REDACTED]

ALVIN CARL WENTZ
[REDACTED]

NICK JOHN NERI
[REDACTED]

WELBURN VERNON GEE
LARRY LEE BICE, JR.
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that the automobile in which the aforementioned individuals were arrested was owned by [REDACTED]

In addition, [REDACTED] explained that during the course of interviews at 1651 West Flagler Street, a fifteen-year-old run-away from home approached one of the officers and asked for protection. He was described as [REDACTED] b6, b7C, b7D

(b7c) [REDACTED] indicated he had run away from home approximately one and one-half months ago, and that the name on his birth certificate was [REDACTED] which had been legally changed. He indicated he was known to the group at 1651 West Flagler Street as [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b6, b7C, b7D
[REDACTED] advised that the aforementioned individuals each stated that a Colonel BILL BISHOP, approximately 37 to 38 years of age, married, who reportedly spent 17 years in the U. S. Army, and attained the rank of Captain with service in Egypt and Africa, had been the military leader and instructor of the group at No Name Key.

According to the group at No Name Key, Colonel BISHOP was not liked and was replaced by voice vote, whereupon Lt. KENNETH JOSEPH PROCTOR assumed command of this group.

[REDACTED] the men have indicated that mail and personal belongings of BOBBY FULLER and others associated with the 27 man expedition, are located in a back room on the first floor of the house at 1651 West Flagler Street.

[redacted] indicated [redacted] was interviewed on December 1, 1960 at 1651 West Flagler Street, at which time it was determined he was [redacted]

(b7c)

On December 2, 1960, attempts were made to locate [REDACTED] and ROLANDO MASFERRER, without success. During this time, two automobiles were observed containing individuals who were in contact with men living at 1651 West Flagler Street. These cars were:

A 1960 Chevrolet, green, bearing 1960 Florida license 1W-46649, and a Plymouth, bearing 1960 Florida license 1-117206.

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Date December 13, 1960

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS voluntarily appeared at the Miami Office, and after having been advised he did not have to make any statement, had the right to consult an attorney, and that any statement made by him could be used against him in a court of law, he furnished the following information voluntarily:

With respect to the 27-man expedition to Cuba, it departed on September 26, 1960 from Miami, and he explained that he had been partially responsible for this expedition.

MASFERRER stated that the idea of going to Cuba to fight Communism and CASTRO was in the minds of every anti-Communist and anti-CASTRO supporter. He explained that many people do not know how to join in the movement. In this connection he advised that ARMENTINO FERIA PEREZ, also known as "El Indio" when he arrived from the Dominican Republic, was most intent and set in his ways on going to Cuba, whether it be by himself or as a member of a group.

MASFERRER stated that while FERIA was in the Dominican Republic with General JOSE E. PEDRAZA, he was very helpful in subduing an invasion of that country by "FIDELISTAS". For his action, Generalissimo RAFAEL TRUJILLO of the Dominican Republic showed his appreciation to FERIA.

After arriving in Miami, FERIA did not work to promote the interests of TRUJILLO, but was active in doing all that he could to combat CASTRO. MASFERRER explained he had many private talks with FERIA, and tried to talk him out of his ideas, because he, MASFERRER, believed it would be useless, but upon learning that no matter how much he talked against this venture, FERIA was going to Cuba, he decided to counsel and help him whenever possible.

On 12/6/60 at Miami, Florida File # MM 2-156
by SA [REDACTED] mfm Date dictated 12/8/60

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MASFERRER indicated he had many sources from which he receives information outside Cuba, and was, therefore, in a position to help FERIA concerning the latest developments within Cuba.

MASFERRER recalled FERIA had asked Generalissimo TRUJILLO to finance a base in the Bahamas and to furnish guns to a group of anti-CASTRO supporters, but that nothing was done in this regard. He also advised FERIA had been worried considerably concerning his daughters who are still in Cuba, as well as his own personal economic situation.

MASFERRER stated that the members of the 27-man expedition were organized in the United States with the knowledge that they were to embark on a military expedition against Cuba. He explained that technically speaking they made an agreement to organize some place outside of the United States and meet at this location, Mira Por Vos in the Bahamas, between forty-eight and seventy-two hours prior to their departure for Cuba.

MASFERRER stated the members of the expedition knew that they would receive the necessary arms and ammunition at the appointed time; however, they had no details as to the manner in which they would receive them or the location where they would receive them; further, they did not know where the arms were located or if they were being transported at the same time.

MASFERRER explained that SANTIAGO ALVAREZ transported the arms on his boat, the "Mary Ann", to a location in the vicinity of Gun Key in the Bahamas for this expedition.

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MAFERRER stated he did not know why they deviated their course instead of landing at the Bay Tanamo. He advised he had received information from sources considered highly reliable that many of the local villagers in that area, as well as some from outlying towns, went to the hills to join the expedition. He indicated he had been informed by a man from the hills and felt it could be proven if necessary, that the 27-man expedition under the leadership of FERIA was actually only eight kilometers from the underground forces in the hills of Cuba. He believed that if "El Indio" had not been killed and had actually been participating in the final phases of this expedition on the jaunt into the hills, he would have been able to spirit them on even though they were highly exhausted.

MAFERRER advised that he had scheduled a meeting of friends for 9:00 PM, December 9, 1960 at the house being utilized by General MANUEL FENITEZ and his anti-CASTRO supporters. He anticipated that between two hundred and two hundred fifty persons would attend, and planned to notify the local authorities of this meeting.

MAFERRER explained that the people to attend this meeting were not necessarily members of any particular group, but made up of many groups of anti-CASTRO supporters. He explained that the purpose of this meeting was to inform the group that he had received information that a national explosion may occur in Cuba before the end of the year, 1960. He believed that the tense situation in Cuba could result in a civil war there between December 15 and 23, 1960. He derived this

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belief from talking with exiles here and in Central America, noting the pattern of activities in Central America.

MASFERRER also advised that he, if so requested by the United States Government, would refrain from participating in any anti-CASTRO and anti-Communist activities.

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1 - Mr. Simpson

Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

December 27, 1960

Director, FBI

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTER

Reference is made to your memorandum dated November 22, 1960, requesting an investigation of subject's activities in connection with the possible violation of neutrality statutes.

(b)(c) There is enclosed for your information one copy of the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated December 15, 1960, at Miami, Florida. This completes the investigation concerning this matter and you are requested to advise this Bureau whether the facts developed warrant prosecution.

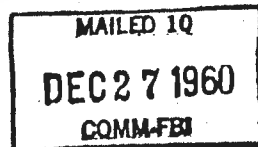
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Subject was the individual behind the abortive invasion attempt in Cuba in early October, 1960, which resulted in the execution of three US citizens by the Cuban Government and the imprisonment and death of other members of the invasion force. The Department requested an investigation under the neutrality statutes. This investigation is now completed and we should request the Department's opinion concerning possible prosecution.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (89-923)

DATE: December 2, 1960

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (62-3573)

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Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of a
letterhead memorandum captioned and dated as above. u

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Information concerning the 19 men engaged in
military training on No Name Key, Florida, as reflected
in enclosed memorandum, was set forth in report of SA
 dated November 17, 1960, entitled "ROLANDO
ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, aka.; NEUTRALITY MATTERS,"
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UNITED STATES

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 12/22/60

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (2-156)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

(b7c) ReBulet to Miami, 12/8/60, concerning request to inter-
view [REDACTED] who were
apparently with MASFERRER on No Name Key, and to determine the
details concerning their recruitment into this operation.

The majority of the individuals associated with
MASFERRER have been interviewed in detail concerning their
recruitment and their subsequent activity and association with
the operation.

On December 2, 1960, the Miami Police Department
arrested NICK JOHN NERI and ALVIN CARL WENTZ for vagrancy, and
they served one day in jail. The police department has advised
neither were wanted by the FBI. During questioning by the
police, both advised they belonged to the MASFERRER movement.

Report setting forth identities of additional supporters
of MASFERRER has been prepared.

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J. Walter Yeagley

December 30, 1960

Director, FBI

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my letter dated December 27, 1960.

Enclosed for your additional information is a copy of my letter to the Department of State dated December 30, 1960, concerning this matter.

The additional information contained in the enclosed letter to the Department of State is being furnished for your consideration in connection with this Bureau's request to be advised whether or not the data developed to date indicates a violation of neutrality statutes within the jurisdiction of the FBI. No further investigation will be conducted in this matter by the FBI unless expressly directed to do so by you. It is requested that your opinion concerning this matter be expedited.

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ATTENTION: SAC, MIAMI

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You will be advised of the Department's decision in this matter when this information becomes available to the Bureau.

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Subject was the individual behind the abortive invasion attempt against Cuba in early October, 1960, which resulted in the execution of three United States citizens by the Cuban Government and the imprisonment and death of other members of the invasion force. Subject is a former Cuban Senator and the Department requested an investigation under neutrality statutes.

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1 - Mr. [redacted]
1 - Liaison

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Date: December 30, 1960

To: Office of Security
Department of State

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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Reference is made to my letter dated November 8,
1960.

Captioned subject has recently received considerable newspaper publicity. On December 29, 1960, an informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that as a result of this newspaper publicity adventurers from different parts of the United States have gone to Miami, Florida, to join Masferrer. Many of these American adventurers are staying in local hotels and Masferrer has found it necessary to acquire another house to be used as a barracks. It is estimated that Masferrer has approximately 70 Americans in his group at this time. One group of 10 Americans reportedly joined Masferrer and claimed to have a 35-foot motor launch and an AT-6 airplane. According to the informant, this group of 10 men reportedly has been operating independently for the past four months bringing Cubans to the United States and has made at least one leaflet drop over Cuba.

At the present time Masferrer is reported to be without funds and it is unknown whether or not he will get financial assistance. Many so-called or would-be arms dealers are reportedly contacting Masferrer regarding the purchase of arms. Although Masferrer claims to have arms, no one has reported seeing them.

The above information is furnished for your information, and as additional data is received you will be advised.

1 - Director
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Attention: Deputy Director, Plans
Gley (by separate letter, same date)

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**1 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army**

Attention: Chief, Security Division

**1 - Deputy Commissioner, Investigations
Bureau of Customs**

**1 - The Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service**

**1 - Major General Robert A. Breitweiser, USAF
Director for Intelligence
The Joint Staff
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The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.**

NOTE ON YELLOW:

The State Department, Central Intelligence Agency and the Attorney General have been previously advised of Masferrer's willingness to cease his activities if directed to do so by the United States Government; therefore, it is not felt that this information should be included in this memorandum as suggested by the Miami Office.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: 12-30-60

FROM : R. O. L'ALLIER *lw*SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTER

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1-Mr. Parsons

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L'Allier to Belmont
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

A check with the Internal Security Section reveals that the Miami Office is already aware of Masferrer's plans for a demonstration over the weekend and will keep the Bureau apprised of significant developments.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont *WLB*

DATE: December 27, 1960

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner *FJB*SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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The "Washington Post and Times Herald" dated 12-26-60 carried an article (attached) indicating that 223 persons in the United States were reportedly set to invade Cuba under the leadership of Masferrer, a former Senator under Batista. The article mentioned the names of eight individuals who allegedly were involved in this group. It further related that Masferrer was an enemy of Castro and several attempts had been made to kidnap him. The article was based upon a release made by the "Miami Herald."

Pursuant to telephonic instructions, the Miami Office submitted a teletype dated 12-26-60 concerning this newspaper article. Masferrer has been under active investigation for some time in connection with an abortive invasion attempt against Cuba in October, 1960, which resulted in the death or imprisonment of the 27-man invasion force. The investigation has also disclosed that Masferrer continues to plan invasion attempts against Cuba. Reports submitted by the Miami Office on 11-17 and 12-15-60 cover investigation conducted concerning his activities and specifically refer to many of the individuals mentioned in the newspaper article. Many of these individuals have been interviewed in connection with our investigation of Masferrer. Masferrer has claimed that he planned to move his men, unarmed, to some island or country other than the United States prior to any invasion of Cuba in an effort to avoid any violations of laws of the United States.

Miami Office pointed out that the alleged kidnapping of Masferrer occurred in 1959 and two individuals are under arrest but are out of jail on bond in connection with that case.

The newspaper article does not present any information which is new to the Bureau and Masferrer's activities continue to be the subject of a Bureau investigation. We have presented this matter to the Department for a prosecutive opinion and are currently awaiting the Department's decision whether it desires to prosecute Masferrer for violation of neutrality statutes under our jurisdiction.

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None. This is submitted for your information.

Enc.

1 - Mr. Parsons

1 - Mr. Belmont

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223 in U.S. Reported Set to Invade Cuba

MIAMI, Dec. 25 (AP)—The Miami Herald said today that 23 young Americans and nearly 200 Cubans are making final preparations to invade Cuba.

They are commanded by Rolando Masferrer, former Senator who had unusual powers under Cuban dictator Fulgencio Batista. Masferrer formed his own army, known as "Masferrer's Tigers."

He is now trying to organize an army to "fight the Communist Government of Fidel Castro," the Herald said.

[Masferrer ranks high on Castro's list of war criminals, United Press International reported. "The Tigers" have been accused of several murders and atrocities.

[Masferrer was unavailable for comment today. His attorney, Monroe Gelb, said he didn't know where he was.

["He moves around a lot," said Gelb and doesn't want

anybody to know where he is. There have been two attempts to kidnap him and take him out of here, you know."]

Some United States members of the group are now in Miami but most Cubans signed up are in New York, the Herald said.

Among those the Herald said signed up were:

Tommy Baker, 28, of Dothan, Ala., who said he spent five and a half years in Korea fighting communism.

Alvin Wentz, 21, of Rochester, N. Y., who said he "does not like communism" and wants a better life for himself. He was an Army tank specialist from 1956 to 1959.

Wilbur Gee, 42, who said he was born in this country but now lives in Maracaibo, Venezuela. He was a tugboat operator in Venezuela for six years.

Larry Bice, 22, of Columbia, Ohio, who said he spent three years as an Army M. P. at Fort Bliss, Tex., and hopes to get a better job in Cuba.

Wanted to Be in Army

Nicholas Neri, 21, of Rochester, who said he always wanted to be in the army but had an infected ear.

Enrique Delgado Cuza, 23, of Cuba's Oriente Province, who was in Batista's army for six months.

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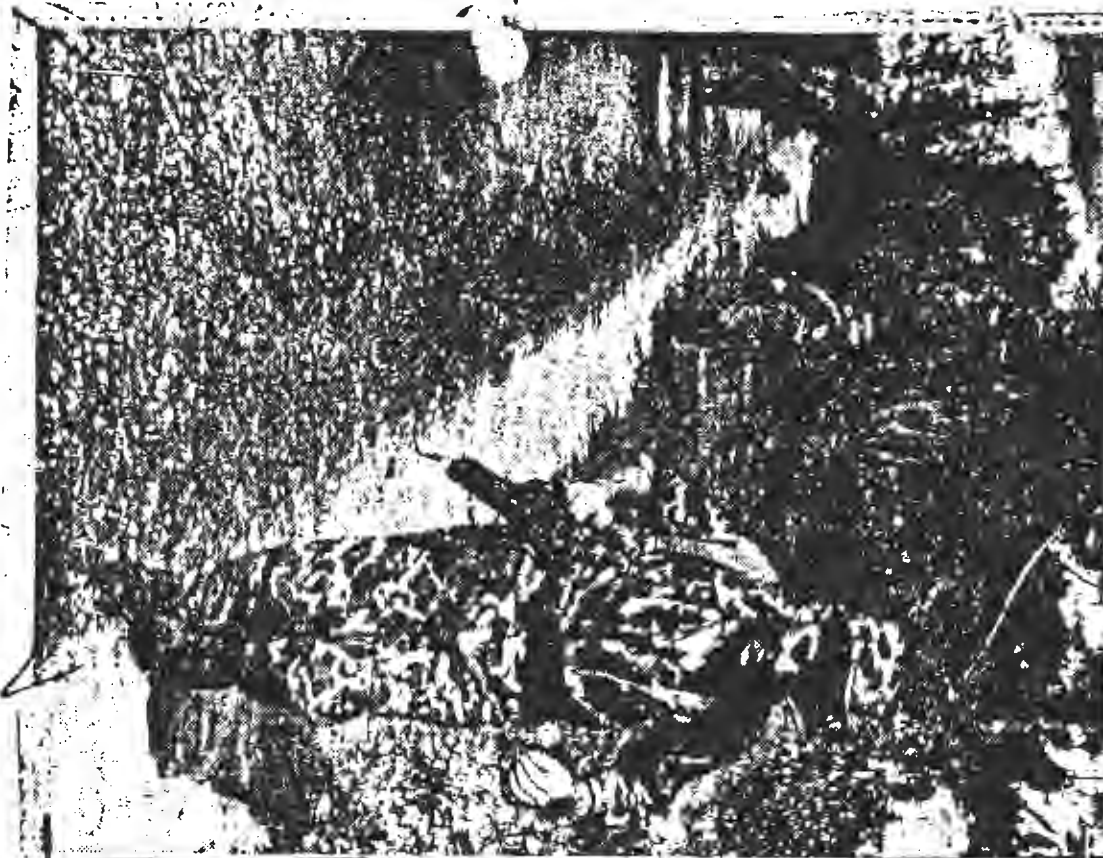
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Cuban exiles, former American Marines and paratroopers, all members of a "Cuban Everglades, are shown in panel at left as National Army" training in the Florida they engage in a typical patrol action. In center panel an unidentified ex-Marine at



left practices hand-to-hand combat with former Navy man Thomas "Red" Lee outside the Army's headquarters in Miami. Leader of the group is Rolando Maestre, former Cuban Senator, at right.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI "2-1622"

FROM SAC MIAMI "2-156" 5 P

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, AKA, NM. RECALL FROM SUPERVISOR

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AND FIELD OFFICES
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W.A. AULL AND MY RETURN CALL TODAY CONCERNING ARTICLE CAPTIONED
QUOTE TWENTY THREE AMERICANS SIGN UP FOR INVASION OF CUBA UNQUOTE,
APPEARING IN WASHINGTON POST, DECEMBER TWENTYSIX, UNDER MIAMI
DATELINE, WHICH MENTIONS THE NAMES TOMMY BAKER, ALVIN WENTZ, WILBUR
GEE, LARRY BICE, NICHOLAS NERI, AND KEN PROCTOR, AND WHICH DESCRIBES
ROLANDO MASFERRER AS THERRI LEADER. ROLANDO MASFERRER IS FORMER
CUBAN SENATOR, PRESENTLY RESIDING IN EXILE IN MIAMI. HE IS ONE
OF MOST PROMINENT ANTI CASTRO FIGURES IN THIS AREA AND IS CONSIDERED
BY CASTRO GOVERNMENT AS A MAJOR WAR CRIMINAL. MIAMI REPORT OF
SA [REDACTED], NOVEMBER SEVENTEENTH, LAST, IN THIS CASE DESCRIBES
SMALL INVASION FORCE OF MASFERRER SUPPORTERS, WHICH AFTER REN-
DEZVOUSING IN BAHAMAS, MADE ABORTIVE LANDING ON NORTHEASTERN COAST
OF CUBA ON OCTOBER THIRD. THIS REPORT ALSO DESCRIBES ACTIVITIES OF,
AND INCLUDES INTERVIEWS WITH SEVENTEEN MASFERRER SUPPORTERS RECEIVING
PHYSICAL AND SURVIVAL TRAINING ON NO NAME KEY, FLORIDA, WHICH PLACE
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cc: B'gardner

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MASFERRER PLANNED TO USE AS STAGING AREA PRIOR TO MOVING MEN TO ISLAND OR COUNTRY OTHER THAN US PRIOR TO INVASION OF CUBA IN ORDER TO AVOID VIOLATION OF US LAWS. REFERENCE IS ALSO MADE TO MIAMI REPORT OF SA [REDACTED] DATED DECEMBER FIFTEEN, LAST, IN THIS CASE, WHICH AMONG OTHER THINGS MENTIONS ARREST OF VAGRANCY BY MIAMI PD OF THIRTEEN MASFERRER SUPPORTERS, INCLUDING KENNETH JOSEPH PROCTOR, ALVIN CARL WENTZ, NICK JOHN NERI, WELBURN VERNON GEE, AND LARRY LEE BICE, JR. IT IS NOTED THEREIN PROCTOR STATED THIS GROUP INTENDED LEAVING THE US UNARMED, AND PROCEED TO AN ISLAND LOCATED IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS, WHERE THEY WOULD BE ARMED BEFORE PROCEEDING TO INVADE CUBA. [REDACTED]

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DEPARTMENT WOULD ENTERTAIN PROSECUTION AGAINST MASFERRER AND HIS FOLLOWERS.

WITH RESPECT TO BUREAU'S INQUIRY CONCERNING MONROE GELB, REPORTED ATTORNEY FOR MASFERRER, MIAMI HAS RECEIVED NO RECENT INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS PERSON. OUR INDICES DO REFLECT THAT IN NINETEEN FORTY SIX GELB WAS ASSOCIATED WITH FIRM OF BRESLOW AND GELB, MIAMI, WHICH WAS THEN ENGAGED IN REPRESENTING A GROUP OF EIGHTEEN ESTONIAN REFUGEES WHO WERE APPEALING AN IMMIGRATION EXCLUSION ORDER. IT IS POSSIBLE GELB IS SIMILARLY REPRESENTING MASFERRER.

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WITH REFERENCE TO REPORTED PREVIOUS PLANS OR ATTEMPTS TO KIDNAP MASFERRER, FOLLOWING IS SUMMARIZED. [REDACTED]

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YOUNGBLOOD AND JAMES C. GRIZZLE WERE ARRESTED BY MIAMI PD FOR CONSPIRACY TO KIDNAP MASFERRER AND DELIVER HIM TO CUBA. MIAMI SPRINGS POLICEMEN JOHN LOVELL AND FRANK GLIDEWELL WERE ALSO INVOLVED. THIS CASE WAS LATER DISMISSED BY DADE COUNTY COURT FOR LACK OF EVIDENCE. [REDACTED]

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(b7d) [REDACTED] OVERHEARD CONVERSATION AMONG UNIDENTIFIED CUBANS THAT CUBAN WAR CRIMINAL MASFERRER AND OTHERS WERE TO BE KIDNAPPED AND RETURNED TO CUBA. NO FURTHER INFORMATION DEVELOPED RE THIS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ABOVE INFORMATION WAS SUBMITTED TO BUREAU IN CASE ENTITLED QUOTE CUBAN RETALIATION AGAINST BATISTA ADHERENTS, IS DASH CUBA, BUFILE ONE ZERO FIVE DASH SEVEN FIVE FIVE ONE ONE. MASFERRER AND MIAMI PD HAVE BEEN ALERTED FROM TIME TO TIME OF PLOTS AGAINST HIM. LAST SERIOUS ATTEMPT TO KIDNAP MASFERRER IS PRESENTLY PENDING PROSECUTION IS USDC, MIAMI. THIS CASE IS ENTITLED QUOTE JUAN BUENAVENTURA EUGENIO FERNANDEZ DE CASTRO RODRIGUEZ, ET AL. ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS DASH
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VICTIM. KIDNAPING, CONSPIRACY, IS DASH CUBA. UNQUOTE. BUFILE ONE ZERO FIVE DASH EIGHT FOUR TWO SIX FIVE. IN THIS CASE GEORGE VALDES ARRIVED MIAMI JANUARY TWENTY SIX, SIXTY AND REPORTEDLY WAS ANXIOUS TO CONTACT MIAMI POLICEMAN WOU WOULD COOPERATE IN KIDNAPING MASFERRER. AGENT, ACTING UNDERCOVER, CONTACTED VALDES AND ARRANGED MEETING FOR EVENING OF TWENTY SEVENTH. THAT NIGHT AGENT MET WITH VALDES AND DE CASTRO AND DISCUSSED PLANS TO DELIVER MASFERRER TO CUBA. UPON AUTHORIZATION OF AUSA THEY WERE ARRESTED THAT NIGHT FOR CONSPIRACY TO KIDNAP. SUBJECTS OUT ON BOND IN CUBA. PROSECUTION STILL PENDING.

ORIGINAL MIAMI HERALD NEWSPAPER ARTICLE, UPON WHICH WASHINGTON POST ARTICLE WAS BASED, HAD ALREADY BEEN CLIPPED AND FORWARDED TO DIRECTOR BY MIAMI OFFICE, AND SIMULTANEOUSLY FORWARDED AIR MAIL TO BUREAU.

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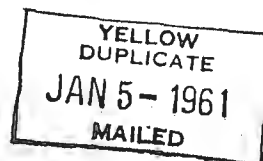
(b7c) Rerep SA [REDACTED] dated December 19, 1960, at Miami, captioned "Ejercito Nacional Cubano, (ENC - Cuban National Army), RA - Cuba, Neutrality Matter."

It is noted that page B of the cover pages of rerep contains the statement that the ENC is no more than a name used by Masferrer and his followers. In view of the pending investigation of Masferrer under the caption "Neutrality Matter" and the fact that the Department is contemplating presenting the case against Masferrer to a grand jury in Miami next week, it appears to be desirable that all information concerning Masferrer, his organization and his activities which may possibly be in violation of neutrality statutes be reported under the Masferrer caption.

Rerep is being disseminated at the Seat of Government to interested agencies of the Government including the Department of Justice. You should, however, submit a closing report pertaining to the ENC which will clearly indicate that information concerning the ENC will in the future be reported under the Masferrer caption. You should also be certain that all information in rerep which may be pertinent in establishing a violation of neutrality statutes on the part of Masferrer and his followers is extracted and reported in the next report submitted under the Masferrer caption.

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TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: 1-4-61

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

- 1 - Mr. Parsons
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Simpson

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Simpson

Subject allegedly was the individual behind an abortive invasion against Cuba in early October, 1960, which resulted in the execution of three United States citizens by the Cuban Government and the imprisonment and death of other members of the invasion force. Subject was a former Cuban Senator during the Batista regime. The Department on 11-22-60 authorized the Bureau to institute an investigation of subject to determine if he had violated neutrality statutes within our jurisdiction. Upon completion of this investigation, the Department on 12-27-60 was requested to advise whether facts developed warranted prosecution.

The "Washington Post and Times Herald" on 12-26-60 contained an article, date lined Miami, indicating that 223 individuals under the leadership of Masferrer were reportedly ready to invade Cuba from the United States. This information was furnished to the Department on 12-30-60 for its consideration and the Department was advised no further investigation concerning that incident would be conducted unless expressly requested by the Department. This was in line with our policy of presenting neutrality matters to the Department prior to instituting active investigation.

The Department by letter dated 1-4-61 has advised that it is sending two Departmental attorneys to Miami on 1-6-61 to present the case against Masferrer before a grand jury in the early part of next week. The Department has requested the Bureau to determine the willingness to testify of various individuals involved in this case. The Department has also referred to the above article in the "Washington Post and Times Herald" and has stated that if the information set forth in that article can be established by competent available evidence, a prosecution for violation of neutrality statutes may be warranted; therefore, it requested that an investigation be conducted in this regard. The Department has further requested that in the interest of expediting this case before the grand jury it would be appreciated if the Bureau would furnish the results of this additional investigation to the Departmental attorneys in Miami as it becomes available.

Enclosure *sent 1-5-61*

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Department's requests be made known to the Miami Office and Miami be instructed to comply with the above requests of the Department and to furnish information to the Departmental attorneys in Miami as it becomes available. Miami will also be instructed to furnish such data to the Bureau. Attached for your approval is a suggested airtel to the Miami Office.

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To: SAC, Miami 105
From: Director, FBI (2-1622) - 62
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BOLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

(b7c) Rereps SA [REDACTED] dated 11-17-60 and
12-15-60 at Miami, and re Miami teletype dated 12-26-60.

Enclosed for your information are two copies of a memorandum from the Internal Security Division of the Department dated 1-4-61 which is self-explanatory. It should be noted that the Department's reference to Bureau memorandum dated 9-27-60 actually refers to a Bureau memorandum dated 12-27-60. You are instructed to immediately determine the willingness to testify of the individuals named by the Department and to conduct the investigation requested by the Department including the investigation concerning the newspaper article indicating that 223 individuals commanded by Masferrer were making final preparations to invade Cuba.

Your attention is specifically directed to the Department's request that information be promptly made available to Departmental attorneys who will be in Miami after 1-6-61. This request of the Department should, of course, be complied with and the Bureau should be kept advised of the information furnished to these Departmental attorneys.

Since the Department is contemplating presenting this matter to the grand jury next week, you are instructed to give this entire matter your immediate and thorough attention.

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Re Miami tel to Bureau 12/29/60.

(b7c) / [REDACTED] On 1/3/61, the Miami PD visited the home of subject and ordered him to cease maintenance and operation of a barracks at 1651 Flagler St., Miami. Police threatened to arrest the occupants in the barracks if they were not gone within 48 hours. MASFERRER thereafter contacted General MANUEL BENITEZ, Head of anti-CASTRO organization Unidad Pinarena, which maintains an office in a rented house at 23rd Avenue and Flagler Street, Miami. MASFERRER made arrangements with BENITEZ to allow the seven Americans residing at MASFERRER's barracks to move into the house rented by BENITEZ.

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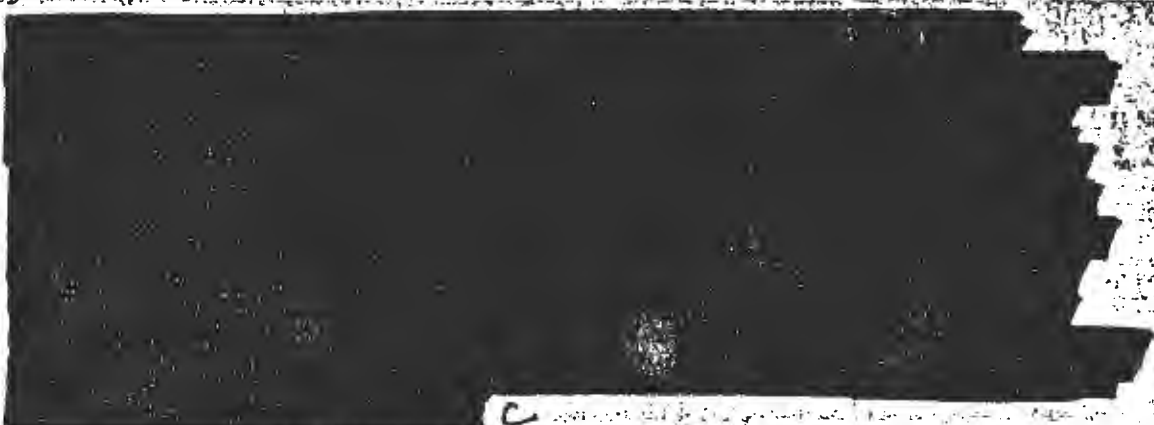
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On 1/4/61, [redacted] State Department Representative, Miami, advised that on about 12/30/60, he received a communication from State Department in Washington indicating that MASFERRER was going to have a demonstration. Through investigation [redacted] ascertained that [redacted] planned to take news pictures of MASFERRER's group conducting military exercises. On 1/3/61, [redacted] the plan was discontinued, inasmuch as MASFERRER was unable to get any weapons to be used in this demonstration, and there was lack of enthusiasm on the part of MASFERRER's group to participate.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /2-1622/

FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/ 5P

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ENCLOSING JUSTICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM OF SAME DATE SEMICOLON

RE MIAMI TEL TO BUREAU, JANUARY SIX LAST. [REDACTED]

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cc - Baumgardner

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /2-1622/

FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/ 1P

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS. NM. REMYTEL ONE SEVEN LAST.

(b7c) DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEYS [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] ADVISED
THIS DATE THAT PROSECUTION IN THIS CASE IS BEING HELD IN
ABEYANCE AND THEY PLAN TO DEPART MIAMI ONE THIRTEEN SIXTY ONE.
THEY RELATED TOM HALL, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO J. WALTER
YEAGLEY, AAG, TELEPHONICALLY INSTRUCTED THAT NO FURTHER ACTION
SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN PENDING RECEIPT OF WRITTEN REQUEST FOR
PROSECUTION BY U. S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. ^{REC-26 2-1622-68} ^{EX. 109 VIEW OF FORE-}
GOING, NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION CONTEMPLATED. ^{12 JAN 13 1961} REPORT FOLLOWS.

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UNITED STATES

Memorandum

TO : Mr. J. A. Sizoo

DATE: 1-18-61

FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: ROLANDO MASFERRER
NEUTRALITY MATTER - CUBA

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Assistant Attorney General Yeagley called me on the afternoon of January 18, to advise that the State Department had still not sent over a letter asking Justice Department to prosecute Masferrer. Yeagley said State Department and interested agencies will meet at 11:45 tomorrow to consider again what action should be taken, if any, against Masferrer. Yeagley noted that in our letter of December 30, it was indicated that Masferrer was running out of funds et cetera and it may be that he is broke and his activities are petering out. If this is so, it will have a bearing on the State Department's approach to this. Yeagley wanted to know if we had any more recent information.

After checking, I called Yeagley back and told him we had no additional information as yet. I pointed out that two attorneys from the Department had been in constant touch with our Miami Office on this, returning to Washington on January 13. These attorneys should have an up-to-date picture. Yeagley said he would talk to them.

Such time as we have additional information from Miami, we should furnish it promptly to the Department.

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FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NM. RE BU TELEPHONE CALL TWELVE
TWENTYSIX SIXTY CONCERNING ARTICLE APPEARING IN THE WASHINGTON
POST TWELVE TWENTYFIVE SIXTY QUOTE WASHINGTON POST UNQUOTE
CAPTIONED QUOTE TWENTY THREE AMERICANS SIGN UP FOR INVIASION OF
CUBA UNQUOTE. REFERENCE WAS MADE TO ONE TOMMY BAKER. ON ONE
NINETEEN SIXTYONE, QUOTE THE MIAMI NEWS UNQUOTE FINAL HOME EDITION
REPORTED GOVERNMENT OF CUBA TODAY ANNOUNCED ARREST OF SIX AMERICANS
IN HAVANA AS COUNTERREVOLUTIONARIES, IDENTIFIED AS COLON TOMMY
L. BAKER, TWENTYEIGHT, BOTHAN, ALA., JAMES E. BEANE, THIRTYFOUR,
CEDAR FALLS, N. C., GEORGE R. BECK, TWENTYFOUR, NORTAN, MASS.,
ALFRED EUGENE GIBSON, DURHAM, N. C., DONALD JOE GREEN, TWENTY-
EIGHT, CLOVER, S. C., LEONARD LOUIS SCHMIDT, TWENTYONE, CHICAGO,
ILL. SPECIAL ARTICLE DESCRIBED IMPRISONED AMERICANS AS HAVING
BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH SUBJECT IN MIAMI AND INDICATED THEY HAD
RECEIVED TRAINING AT AN UNDISCLOSED CAMP IN FLA., MAINTAINED BY
MASFERRER. FURTHER, ALLEGED THE MEN SAILED TO CUBA FROM MARATHON
KEY, REFUELING AT KEY WEST, FLA. ARTICLE ALSO INDICATED MEN IN
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C.C. Donahoe

Let to AAG Yeagley
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CUSTODY WERE PART OF GROUP NUMBERING ABOUT FIFTY AMERICAN ADVENTURERS WHO UTILIZED BARRACKS TYPE HOUSE AT ONE SIX FIVE ONE W. FLAGLER ST., MIAMI, WHO WERE ORDERED TO LEAVE PREMISES BY MIAMI PD EARLY PART JAN, SIXTYONE OR FACE ARREST FOR VAGRANCY. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED HE HAD NO DIRECT KNOWLEDGE RE ARTICLE OR REPORTED INVASION. HE ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

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(b7d) [REDACTED] THAT AFTER THE MIAMI PD FORCED THE INDIVIDUALS LIVING AT THE FLAGLER STREET ADDRESS TO LEAVE, APPROXIMATELY THREE WEEKS AGO, MANY WENT THEIR SEPARATE WAYS, HOWEVER, SIX REMAINED TOGETHER, PRESUMABLY THOSE LISTED ABOVE. TWO OF THE SIX ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SOLD THEIR AUTOMOBILES, NOT DESCRIBED, FOR ARMS AND AMMUNITION AND EITHER HIRED OR STOLE A BOAT AT MARATHON KEY. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BOTH DENIED DIRECT KNOWLEDGE ^{OF} ~~OF~~ REPORT ^{OF} OF INVASION. [REDACTED]

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ADVISED ONE NINETEEN SIXTYONE HIS RECORDS REFLECT THAT ON ONE
TWELVE SIXTYONE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FORTY THREE FT., TWIN
DIESEL ENGINE BOAT, QUOTE ARIES UNQUOTE WAS STOLEN ONE NINE SIXTY-
ONE AT MARATHON KEY. USBP INVESTIGATION REFLECTED QUOTE ARIES UNQUOTE
OBSERVED KEY WEST ON ONE TEN SIXTYONE WITH FOUR OCCUPANTS, NOT
FURTHER IDENTIFIED, AND REPORTEDLY PURCHASED ONE FORTY GALLONS OF
FUEL. ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE SUBJECT AND ASSOCIATES UNSUCCESSFUL.
INVESTIGATION CONTINUING. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED.

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1-00 AM OK FBI WA ELR

1 - Mr. Simpson

Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

January 24, 1961

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Director, FBI

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to a memorandum from the
Internal Security Division dated January 4, 1961.

On January 19, 1961, "The Miami News" reported
that the Government of Cuba had announced the arrest of
six Americans in Havana as counterrevolutionaries and
described them as having been associated with Masferrer
in Miami, having received training at an undisclosed camp
in Florida maintained by Masferrer. The article alleged
that the men had sailed to Cuba from Marathon Key, Florida,
and refueled at Key West, Florida. It indicated that the
men in custody were part of a group of about 50 Americans
who had utilized a barracks-type house at 1651 West Flagler
Street, Miami, Florida, who had been ordered to leave the
premises by the Miami Police Department in early January
or face arrest for vagrancy.

[REDACTED], advised Agents of our Miami Office that he had
no direct knowledge concerning the article or any reported
invasion. He advised [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] that
after the Police Department had forced the individuals
living at the Flagler Street address to leave, many had
departed on their separate ways; however, six had remained
together, presumably those referred to in the above newspaper
article. He stated that two of the six were believed to
have sold their automobiles for arms and ammunition and
had either hired or stolen a boat at Marathon Key. [REDACTED]

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Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

A representative of the United States Border Patrol advised on January 19, 1961, that a 43-foot, twin diesel-engine boat, "Aries," had been reported stolen on January 9, 1961, at Marathon Key. The investigation of that agency revealed that the "Aries" had been observed at Key West, Florida, on January 10, 1961, with four occupants, not further identified.

On January 20, 1961, Masferrer voluntarily advised Agents of our Miami Office that he had no knowledge concerning the reported invasion of Cuba by six Americans. He stated that approximately 12 to 15 days previously he had been instructed to disband his organization and give up the barracks-type house on West Flagler Street inasmuch as his supporters residing at this address were becoming a general nuisance and creating disturbances in Miami. He stated that since that time he has had no control over the former members of his organization. Masferrer indicated that in conversations with various individuals of his group who continue to reside in the Miami area, each has advised him he plans to go to Cuba under any circumstances if at all possible in order to combat communism in Cuba. Masferrer stated he does not personally plan to reorganize any group unless he has the support of a larger group with the backing of the United States.

Inasmuch as the Department has under consideration the prosecution of Masferrer for possible violation of neutrality statutes under our jurisdiction, no investigation concerning the above matter is being conducted by this Bureau in the absence of a specific request from the Department.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/ 1P

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NM. RE MIAMI TEL TO BUREAU

YESTERDAY. SUBJECT VOLUNTARILY ADVISED ONE TWENTY SIXTY ONE

HE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING REPORTED INVASION BY SIX AMERICANS

IN CUBA. MASFERRER STATED APPROXIMATELY TWELVE TO FIFTEEN DAYS

AGO HE WAS INSTRUCTED TO DISBAND HIS ORGANIZATION QUOTE CUBAN

NATIONAL ARMY UNQUOTE AND GIVE UP BARRACKS TYPE HOUSE , ONE SIX

FIVE ONE WEST FLAGLER ST., MIAMI, INASMUCH AS SUPPORTERS RESIDING

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MIAMI. IN ACCORDANCE WITH MIAMI PD INSTRUCTIONS, MASFERRER DIS-

BANDED ORGANIZATION IMMEDIATELY AND HAS NO CONTROL OVER FORMER

MEMBERS OF ORGANIZATION. MASFERRER INDICATED THAT IN CONVERSATION

WITH VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS PAREN AMERICANS PAREN WHO CONTINUE TO

RESIDE IN MIAMI AREA, EACH HAS ADVISED HE PLANS TO GO TO CUBA

UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES IF AT ALL POSSIBLE IN ORDER TO COMBAT

COMMUNISM IN CUBA. MASFERRER ADVISED FURTHER HE DOES NOT

PERSONALLY PLAN TO REORGANIZE ANY GROUP UNLESS HE HAD THE

SUPPORT OF A LARGER GROUP WITH BACKING OF UNITED STATES.

REPORT FOLLOWS.

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Let to Acting AAG Yeagley
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont *ab*

DATE: January 25, 1961

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner *FJB*

1 - Mr. Parsons
 1 - Mr. Belmont
 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
 1 - Mr. Nasca
 1 - Mr. Simpson

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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BACKGROUND

Summit
~~Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas~~
 Masferrer, born 1-12-18 in Oriente, Cuba, is a former Cuban Senator in Oriente Province under the regime of Fulgencio Batista. He fled Cuba immediately following Batista's downfall on 1-1-59 and has since been residing in exile in Miami, Florida. He is allegedly considered one of the foremost so-called "Batista war criminals" by the present Cuban Government headed by Fidel Castro. He has been charged by the present Cuban Government of having headed an organization known as "The Tigers," described as Masferrer's private army during the Batista regime, and has been accused of having committed many atrocities in Cuba prior to 1-1-59.

The Department of State advised in 1957 that Masferrer once belonged to the Cuban Communist Party, Partido Socialista Popular (PSP) and fought with the Communist International Brigade in Spain in 1937. In 1939 he was Editor of a communist newspaper in Cuba until his expulsion from the PSP in 1945. After leaving the PSP he allegedly formed an anticommunist political organization and in 1957 was described as violently anticommunist but remaining a socialist. *R*

When interviewed by Bureau Agents in March, 1959, Masferrer admitted membership in the PSP from 1940 to 1944 but got out of the organization when he realized the true nature of communism. Masferrer also claimed he had armed some of his men on Batista's authorization in order to repel attacks against him by Castro's forces and he and his men only fought to protect themselves.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT ATTEMPTS TO REMOVE MASFERRER FROM THE MIAMI AREA *2-1622-72*

On 12-21-59 Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Miami, advised our Miami Office that Masferrer had been issued orders to move his residence outside of Florida and take up residence no closer than 150 miles from the Gulf of Mexico. This move was to be accomplished by 1-5-60. An FBI Liaison Agent in Washington

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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on 12-23-59 confirmed this order through Richard Haberstroh, Chief, Intelligence Branch, INS, Washington, and determined that INS was acting in accordance with a request received from the State Department. The Liaison Agent determined from [REDACTED] (b7c) Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs, Department of State, that this was part of a program to move certain top-level Cuban exiles from Florida to other locales since it was felt this would best serve United States foreign policy interests.

Masferrer appealed the above order of INS and in February, 1960, the United States District Court, Miami, Florida, ruled that he must comply with the INS order. In February, 1960, Masferrer claimed he had suffered a heart attack which necessitated his remaining in the Miami area. On 1-25-61 an FBI Liaison Agent determined through INS, Washington, that subsequent to the above court order, other similar cases were brought before a different judge in the United States District Court in Miami and this judge ruled that INS was acting improperly in trying to enforce such orders and should not attempt to enforce orders removing these individuals from the State of Florida. In view of this subsequent ruling, INS, therefore, has not attempted to enforce any of these orders against any of the Cuban aliens in Florida including Masferrer. According to INS, Masferrer's current status is that of an alien on parole and he must periodically report to the INS office nearest his place of residence.

FBI INVESTIGATIONS OF MASFERRER

Since Masferrer arrived in the United States in January, 1959, he has been extensively engaged in anti-Castro activities. In participating in such activities he has committed possible violations of the Registration Act and neutrality statutes. A brief summary of our investigations of Masferrer is set forth below.

(A) Registration Act and Internal Security - Cuba Investigations

Shortly after arriving in the United States in January, 1959, Masferrer became engaged in anti-Castro activities and the Bureau immediately instituted an investigation of his activities to determine if he had incurred any liability to register under the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended. This investigation is still pending. Reports and memoranda concerning Masferrer's activities have been furnished to the Department of Justice on a continuing basis; however, to date, he has not been requested to register under the above Act.

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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(B) Neutrality Matter Investigation (Alleged Attempt to Invade
Cuba in January, 1960, headed by Masferrer)

(b1) [REDACTED]
Masferrer was reported to have 3,000 men in training camps in Florida. Investigation by the FBI completely refuted these allegations and established that Masferrer and his associates could not possibly raise a force of 3,000 men and actually did not have any plans for an invasion attempt as alleged. All information concerning this matter was promptly disseminated to the Department and other interested agencies as received. This case was closed in May, 1960, and the Department was advised that no further investigation concerning this allegation would be conducted unless requested by the Department.

(C) Neutrality Matter Investigation (October, 1960, Invasion
Against Cuba)

This is the current violation in which the Department is considering prosecution of Masferrer under neutrality statutes.

On 9-27-60 information was received that Masferrer was planning an invasion attempt against Cuba. We determined that Customs had stopped one of Masferrer's boats on 9-26-60 but finding nothing unlawful allowed the boat to proceed. Subsequent inquiries by the FBI determined this boat met others in the Bahama Islands which had departed several days previously from Florida and on 10-4-60, 27 men landed in Cuba. All members of this group were later killed or captured by Cuban Government forces and the Cuban Government executed three Americans involved.

In accordance with established Bureau policy not to investigate neutrality cases unless authorized by the Department, we requested the Department on 10-7-60 and 10-10-60 to furnish an opinion whether the facts indicated a violation of neutrality statutes which in the opinion of the Department warranted further investigation. The Department advised on 10-14-60 it could not expedite its opinion since various facets of the case had to be explored. (The Department was trying to arrive at a policy whether this country's best interests would be served by investigation and prosecution of anti-Castro forces.)

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
2-1622

On 11-22-60 the Department requested an investigation of this invasion attempt by Masferrer. During an interview of Masferrer, he acknowledged responsibility for the 27-man invasion force against Cuba in October, 1960. Investigation also disclosed that in November, 1960, Masferrer was maintaining a training camp for anti-Castro revolutionaries at No Name Key, Florida, although he claimed he had no definite plans for another invasion. Upon completion of this investigation, the Department was requested by Bureau letter dated 12-27-60 to furnish its opinion concerning possible prosecution of Masferrer.

MASFERRER'S OFFER TO CEASE HIS OPERATIONS IF SO REQUESTED BY
THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

On 11-30-60 by letters to the Secretary of State, Central Intelligence Agency and the Attorney General, with copies to the Deputy Attorney General and Assistant Attorney General Yeagley, we advised these officials that during the course of interviews with Masferrer on several occasions and particularly on 11-9-60 Masferrer had stated it was common knowledge that the Frente Revolucionario Democrático (FRD) was receiving United States support [REDACTED]

referred [REDACTED] and was engaged in large-scale recruiting activities in the United States and Latin-American countries.

Masferrer expressed a desire to join the FRD and stated he would cease all operations if so directed by the United States Government.

(b7C) On 12-30-60 [REDACTED] Bureau of Un-American Affairs, Department of State, contacted an FBI Liaison Agent making reference to our letter of 11-30-60 and requested FBI assistance in stopping Masferrer. [REDACTED] stated that recent newspaper publicity on Masferrer presented a good opening wedge for an FBI Agent to call on Masferrer and take him up on his offer to cease operations.

[REDACTED] was advised that we had no legal basis under which the FBI could intrude itself into the situation, and if we attempted to do so, it would put the FBI into the role of a messenger for State Department and involve us in a matter which is not our affair.

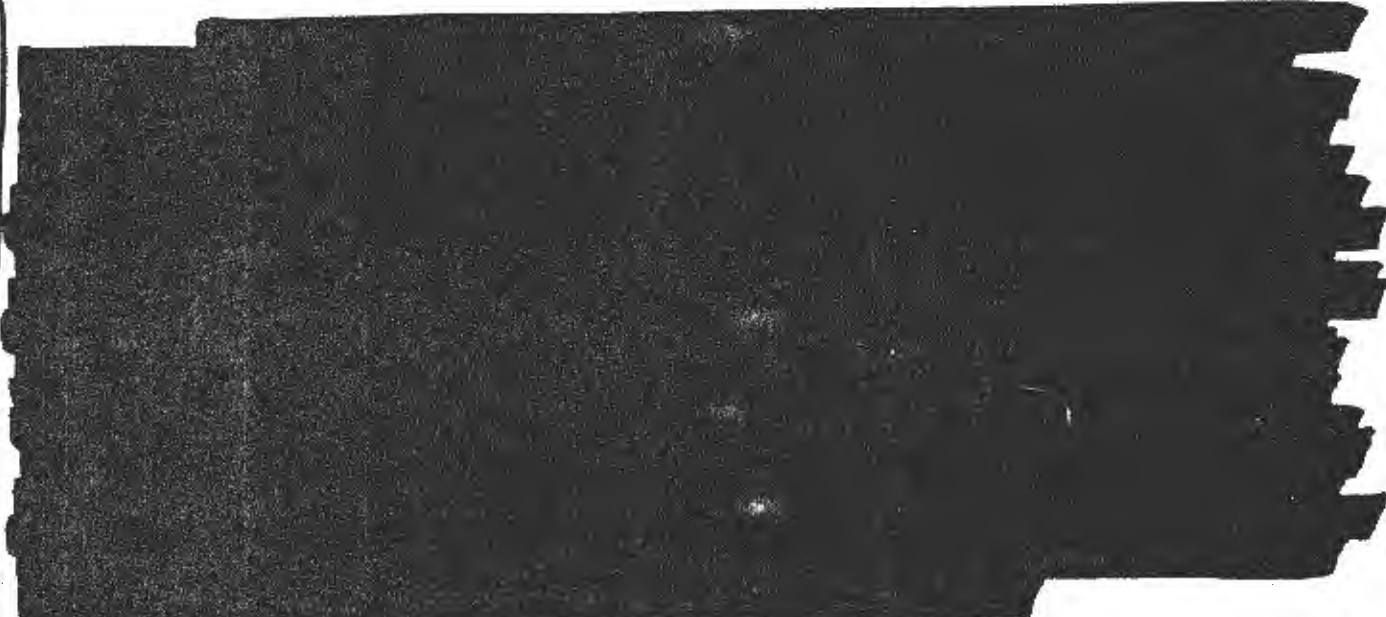
On the memorandum prepared on the above contact by [REDACTED] on 12-30-60, the Director made reference to our letter of 11-30-60 and noted: "Note State didn't get around to considering it for one month."

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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Masferrer once had a barracks-type house in Miami where some of his supporters resided. In early January, 1961, some of these persons were arrested by the Miami Police Department for vagrancy and others were ordered to leave. On 1-20-61 Masferrer advised Bureau Agents he had been ordered by the police to give up the house since his supporters had become a general nuisance and created disturbances in Miami. An informant who has furnished reliable information in the past reported on 12-30-60 that Masferrer is broke and it is unknown if, or when, he will get financial support from any Cuban or American group.

DIRECTOR'S CONFERENCE WITH ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL YEAGLEY ON
1-5-61 RE PROSECUTION

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CURRENT STATUS



Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION PERTAINING TO MASFERRER'S ACTIVITIES

All information developed during the course of our investigations of Masferrer has been promptly disseminated to State, Central Intelligence Agency, the military intelligence agencies, Bureau of Customs, INS and the Internal Security Division of the Department of Justice.

ACTION:

This is submitted for your information.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: 1-26-61

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

1 - Mr. Parsons
 1 - Mr. Belmont
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 1 - Mr. Nasca
 1 - Mr. Simpson

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SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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There is enclosed for the Director's information a detailed memorandum concerning Masferrer which includes information concerning his background, Government attempts to remove him from the Miami area, and a summary of the various investigations the Bureau has conducted of him.

Of primary interest is the present status of the current neutrality case against Masferrer. Briefly, the facts of the case are: On 10-4-60, 27 men invaded Cuba from the United States and these men were either killed or imprisoned by the Cuban Government. Upon authorization of the Department, we investigated this incident and established that Masferrer was behind it and on interview Masferrer admitted his participation.

During interviews Masferrer told Bureau Agents he would cease all operations if requested by the United States Government. We furnished this information to State, the Attorney General and Central Intelligence Agency on 11-30-60. On 12-30-60, State asked us to contact Masferrer and take him up on his offer but we refused on ground we had no legal basis to act. We have had no indication that any representative from State [REDACTED] has contacted Masferrer concerning his offer.

In January, 1961, some of Masferrer's men were arrested by the Miami Police Department for vagrancy and Masferrer was ordered to give up the house in which his followers resided. An informant reported on 12-30-60 that Masferrer is broke and his group disbanded.

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TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: 1-26-61

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

1 - Mr. Parsons
 1 - Mr. Belmont
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On 1-25-61, Inspector J. A. Sizoo telephonically advised
 SAC Teague, Miami, to locate and interview

Miami has now advised
 interviewed on the night of 1-25-61

Provisions of neutrality statutes and possible consequences of any
 invasion were pointed out to the persons interviewed.

RECOMMENDATION:

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It is recommended that the above information be disseminated
 to State, Department of Justice, and other interested agencies. Attached
 is a suggested memorandum

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /2-1622/

FROM SAC, MIAMI 12-156/ 2P

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NH. RMYTEL AND BUTEL CALL

JANUARY TWENTYFIFTH.

LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED NIGHT OF JANUARY TWENTYFIFTH.

PROVISIONS OF NEUTRALITY STATUTES AND

POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF ANY INVASION OF CUBA BY AMERICANS

VIGOROUSLY POINTED OUT TO ABOVE PERSONS.

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~~TO~~ DIRECTOR, FBI 12-1622/

FROM SAC, MIAMI 12-156/ 2P

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NEUTRALITY MATTER.

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[REDACTED] C 1/25/64 6:45 PM SAC Teague was
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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

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Our Miami Office has notified the United States Customs Service and the United States Border Patrol in Miami. Representatives of the United States Customs Service have stated, however, that if the boat does not have arms on board, it will have to allow the expedition to depart.

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The provisions of neutrality statutes under the jurisdiction of this Bureau and the possible consequences of any invasion attempt against Cuba were pointed out to the individuals interviewed.

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Central Intelligence Agency
Attention: Deputy Director, Plans
- 1 - Director of Naval Intelligence
- 1 - Office of Special Investigations
Air Force
Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division
- 1 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army
Attention: Chief, Security Division
- 1 - Deputy Commissioner, Investigations
Bureau of Customs

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- 1 - The Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service**
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley**
- 1 - Major General Robert A. Brditweiser, USAF
Director for Intelligence
The Joint Staff
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The Pentagon
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NOTE ON YELLOW:

See memo Baumgardner to Belmont, 1-26-61,
same caption, RDS:pw.

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Title and Character of Case

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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Date Property Acquired

12/2/60

Source From Which Property Acquired

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

Bulky Exhibit Vault

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

Possible evidence - to be retained until conclusion of case.

Description of Property or Exhibit and Identity of Agent Submitting Same

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - Belmont
1 - Condon
1 - R. D. Simpson
1 - [REDACTED] (b7c)

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: January 28, 1961

FROM : Mr. J. F. Condon

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SUBJECT: GEORGE R. BECK
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JOE GREEN
JAMES E. BEANE
ALFRED EUGENE GIBSON
LEONARD LOUIS SCHMIDT
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After checking with Supervisor R. D. Simpson, [REDACTED] was advised that [REDACTED] had advised our Miami Office that he had no direct knowledge of the reported invasion. He advised, however, that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] after the barracks had been closed the individuals formerly living there had departed on their separate ways. Six, however, had remained together, presumably the captioned subjects. Two of them had sold their automobiles to purchase arms and ammunition and had either hired or stolen a boat at Marathon Key. [REDACTED] was also advised that on January 19, 1961, the U. S. Border Patrol had advised of the theft of the ship "Aries" at Marathon Key. He recalled that this was the name of the ship used by the subjects.

[REDACTED] was also advised that on January 20, 1961, Masferrer had advised our Miami Office that he had no knowledge of

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Memorandum Condon to Belmont

Re: GEORGE R. BECK
TOMMY L. BAKER
JOE GREEN
JAMES E. BEANE
ALFRED EUGENE GIBSON
LEONARD LOUIS SCHMIDT

X the reported invasion of Cuba by six Americans. He claimed that since he had been ordered to disband his barracks about two weeks previously he has had no control over the former members of his organization. He stated that various individuals of his group who still resided in the Miami area had told him of their plans to go to Cuba, if at all possible, to fight communism. All of the above information was obtained from Bureau letter to Assistant Attorney General Yeagley dated 1/24/61 captioned "Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Reyes".

replied
[REDACTED] At 9:30 a.m.,
1/25/61, [REDACTED] inquired of SA [REDACTED] if any information was available as to when the subjects left the U. S. SA [REDACTED] at 10:25 a.m. advised [REDACTED] that information available did not indicate the specific date the subjects left the U. S.; however, the "Aries" had been stolen on 1/9/61 and was reported to have been at Key West, Florida, on 1/16/61 where it refueled.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. PARSONS

DATE: February 4, 1961

FROM : A. ROSEN

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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Kenneth O'Donnell, Special Assistant to the President, telephoned Saturday morning, 2/4/61, and advised that an individual whom he did not identify, had just been in to see the President this morning and had discussed with the President the activities of a reported Cuban right-wing refugee now in Miami. O'Donnell said that the name he got from the President for this Cuban was either "Ferri" or "Ferre" and his first name was "Mass." The President asked O'Donnell if he could identify this Cuban for him and find out something about him. O'Donnell wondered if we could be of any assistance, saying that this wasn't much to go on and the only additional information he had was that the Cuban may have been organizing troops.

A quick check with the Domestic Intelligence Division indicated that the individual about whom O'Donnell had inquired is undoubtedly Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, a former Cuban Senator who fled from Cuba following Batista's downfall. Masferrer is a former member of the Cuban Communist Party and has in the past been active in anti-Castro activities in the United States, including a planned invasion attempt against Cuba in September, 1960. (A tickler of a detailed memorandum concerning Masferrer submitted under date of 1/25/61, is attached.) It is noted that all information concerning Masferrer's activities has been furnished to the Department of Justice in report form. The Department has at the present time question of prosecution under consideration and has been conferring with State Department representatives in this regard.

ACTION TAKEN:

Kenneth O'Donnell was called back and informed the individual to whom he referred was undoubtedly Masferrer. He was furnished briefly information as to his background and activities. It was specifically pointed out to O'Donnell that full details had been forwarded to the Justice Department, which at the present time had question of prosecution under consideration. O'Donnell was

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Memorandum to Mr. Parsons
Re: Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas

informed that we would be happy to send a letter to him
furnishing him information relative to Masferrer; however,
O'Donnell said this wasn't at all necessary, as he had enough
information to identify Masferrer for the President. O'Donnell
was most appreciative and said that nothing further need be done.

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cc. B' Gardner

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ARREST ARE KENNETH GIRARD WOODLAND, TWENTYSEVEN YEARS, U. S. CITIZEN., KENNETH JOSEPH PROCTOR, TWENTYEIGHT YEARS, U. S. CITIZEN., GUILLERMO HERRADA, TWENTYTWO YEARS, CUBAN., AND HARRY CHRISTENSON JOHNSON, TWENTYFOUR YEARS, U. S. CITIZEN., ABOUT THREE OTHERS ESCAPED. IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE ARREST ARMS WERE THROWN OVERBOARD AND ARE IN THE PROCESS OF BEING RECOVERED. ONE RIFLE AND ONE FORTYFIVE AUTOMATIC HAVE BEEN RECOVERED BY THE MIAMI PD. KENNETH PROCTOR WAS FORMERLY WITH MASFERRER AT NO NAME KEY UNDERGOING TRAINING. INFORMANT, MIAMI, DEFINITELY STATES MASFERRER HAD NO CONNECTION WITH THEFT AND/OR ATTEMPTED EXPEDITION TO CUBA. NO ACTIVE INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED MIAMI. CLOSE LIAISON BEING CONTINUED WITH INTERESTED AGENCIES AND MIAMI PD. BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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In view of possible Neutrality Act violation, the Internal Security Division of the Department is being advised.

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1 - Liaison
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Date: February 7, 1961
To: Office of Security
Department of State

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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my memorandum dated
January 27, 1961, in which it was indicated that

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The Miami Office of this Bureau advised that six Americans and one Cuban overpowered the Chief Engineer of a barge in Miami, Florida, and stole the tug boat "Gil Rokie." On February 4, 1961, the Miami Police Department, assisted by Agents of the United States Border Patrol, arrested four individuals in connection with this theft and these individuals are being held on charges of armed robbery and grand larceny by the Miami Police Department. The individuals under arrest are Kenneth Girard Woodland, Kenneth Joseph Prector, Harry Christenson Johnson, all United States citizens, and Guillermo Herrada, a Cuban citizen. Approximately three other persons escaped at the time of the above apprehensions.

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Our Miami Office has determined from [redacted] United States Border Patrol that immediately prior to the arrest various

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1 - Assistant Attorney General (by separate letter, same date)
J. Edgar Hoover
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arms were thrown overboard and attempts are being made to recover these arms. The Miami Police Department has been successful in recovering one rifle and one 45-caliber automatic pistol.

An informant of this Bureau who has furnished reliable information in the past has advised that Masferrer definitely had no connection with the above theft or attempted expedition to Cuba.

- 1 - Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Attention: Deputy Director, Plans
- 1 - Director of Naval Intelligence
- 1 - Office of Special Investigations
Air Force
Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division
- 1 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army
Attention: Chief, Security Division
- 1 - Deputy Commissioner, Investigations
Bureau of Customs
- 1 - The Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service

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**1 - Major General Robert A. Breitweiser, USAF
Director for Intelligence
The Joint Staff
Room 2 E 966
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.**

1 - Mr.

February 7, 1961

Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

Director, FBI

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my letter dated
January 27, 1961, to the Department of State, a copy
of which was designated for you.

Enclosed for your additional information is
a copy of my letter to the Department of State dated
February 7, 1961, concerning this matter.

This data is being furnished for your
information and no active investigation concerning
this incident will be conducted by the FBI in the
absence of a specific request from you.

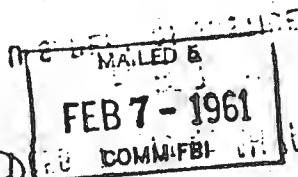
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NOTE ON YELLOW:

Since this matter is completely under the
investigation of the Miami Police Department and Border
Patrol and individuals have been arrested by the Miami
Police Department for armed robbery and grand larceny,
it is not believed that the Bureau should actively
investigate this matter in the absence of a specific
request from the Department.

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TITLE OF CASE ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED] (b7C)	TYPED BY dgw
		CHARACTER OF CASE RA - CUBA IS - CUBA NEUTRALITY MATTERS	

REFERENCE: Houston teletype to Miami, dated 1/18/61; (Interoffi.
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REFERENCES: Miami teletypes to Bureau, 1/25 and 2/4/61, both captioned "**ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS; RM**".

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No further active investigation will be undertaken by the Miami Office in this matter; however, close liaison with [REDACTED] will be continued and Bureau kept advised.

In view of the fact that the Department of Justice has advised they will not authorize prosecution against ROLANDO MASFERRER without written request from the U. S. Department of State, and this investigation is similar to the MASFERRER case, no further investigation is contemplated in instant matter.

FRANK FIORINI, mentioned in this report, is identical with FRANK ANTHONY STURGIS, aka, subject of Bufile 2-1499.

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On January 19, 1961, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] U. S. Border Patrol, Miami advised they had received information a boat, not further described, might be used in an expedition to Cuba from the Miami area. They indicated they would be especially alert for PROCTOR and his group and would immediately advise the FBI should any information come to their attention concerning this matter.

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Date January 25, 1961

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, 1900 S. W. 21st Terrace, Miami, was interviewed and was advised he did not have to make a statement; that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law, and that he had the right to consult an attorney. He furnished the following information voluntarily, acknowledging that he understood the provisions of the Neutrality Act, Foreign Agents Registration Act, and that it was a federal violation to furnish false information to agents of the FBI.

MASFERRER advised that he was acquainted with KENNETH J. PROCTOR and WILBUR GEE, both of whom had been supporters of his and had been in training at No Name Key, Monroe County, Florida. He also stated these two individuals had received free room and board paid for through his, MASFERRER's efforts while living at 1651 West Flagler Street, Miami. He indicated that as a result of a request by the Miami Police Department, he ceased maintaining this barracks-type house at 1651 West Flagler Street, which forced the men, who were formerly members of the Cuban National Army, to leave the premises. He recalled this occurred during the early part of January, 1961, and subsequent to their leaving this location they have had no further connection or affiliation with him or the Cuban National Army.

MASFERRER stated that the Cuban National Army, itself, had disintegrated due principally to the fact that he, MASFERRER, had lost control over the activities of his supporters after the closing of the barracks-type house at 1651 West Flagler Street.

MASFERRER also advised that PROCTOR and GEE had no affiliation with him and that any action undertaken by either of these two individuals was without the knowledge and/or consent of MASFERRER.

MASFERRER reiterated that he did not desire to openly violate the Neutrality Act of the United States and was ready, willing, and able to do whatever the U. S. Government might request.

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of him. He stated he had no knowledge concerning the reported invasion of Cuba by six Americans.

MASFERRER indicated that in conversation with various individual Americans, who continue to reside in the Miami area, former supporters of his, they each indicated they plan to go to Cuba under any circumstances, if at all possible, in order to combat communism in Cuba. MASFERRER advised he personally does not plan to reorganize any group unless he has the support of a larger group with the backing of the United States.

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On January 25, 1961, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] made available a photograph of six Americans arrested in Havana, Cuba. [REDACTED] advised that the photograph was obtained from [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] identified the six individuals appearing in the photograph as having been former members of ROLANDO MASFERRER's Cuban National Army, who lived 1651 West Flagler Street, Miami, until approximately January 5, 1961.

These individuals were identified as follows [REDACTED] JAMES DOUGLAS BEANE, GEORGE R. BECK, TOMMY L. BAKER, LEONARD SCHMIDT, ALFRED EUGENE GIBSON, and DONALD JOE GREEN.

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On January 28, 1961, the "Miami Herald", a daily English newspaper, Miami, Florida, reported that the FIDEL CASTRO Government of Cuba announced on January 27, 1961, that the six imprisoned Americans would be tried on the 28th, that date, for crimes punishable by death by a firing squad, which apparently was not immediately understood by the Americans, because they were unable to speak and understand Spanish. The Americans were charged with attempting to join rebel forces in Cuba. The Americans were named as follows:

GEORGE R. BECK, Norton, Massachusetts
TOMMY L. BAKER, Dothan, Alabama
JOE GREEN, Clober, South Carolina
JAMES E. BEANE, Cedar Falls, North Carolina
ALFRED EUGENE GIBSON, Durham, North Carolina
LEONARD LOUIS SCHMIDT, Chicago, Illinois

On January 29, 1961, the "Miami Herald" reported that the six American adventurers were tried on charges of attempting to join anti-CASTRO forces in Cuba, and the death penalty had been demanded by the Cuban Government. Their trial before a five-man military court at La Cabana Fortress, Havana, was completed in two hours and thirty-five minutes, without returning a verdict.

The Americans claimed they came to Cuba to join FIDEL CASTRO's revolutionary government and not his opponents.

Their court-appointed Cuban attorneys asked the court to acquit or deport them as a sign of good will toward the new U. S. administration of President KENNEDY.

The government charged the six Americans sailed from Marathon, Florida, and had attempted to

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land on the North coast of Pinar Del Rio Province, a rebel stronghold, but, the government charged, bad weather forced them to sail into Havana Harbor. The prosecution said the Americans dumped their weapons and equipment before being arrested January 7.

The defendants insisted they came here to enlist in CASTRO's forces and had no direct connection with a man the government identified as an organizer of anti-CASTRO expeditions in Florida, former Cuban Senator ROLANDO MASFERRER.

Under cross examination, BAKER admitted that he went to Miami to see MASFERRER, but said he turned against him after learning he was a "gangster and a butcher" opposed to CASTRO.

The prosecution introduced clippings from the "Miami Herald" showing a group picture of Americans, BAKER among them, with caption identifying them as volunteers against CASTRO. BAKER admitted being in the picture, but insisted he thought the group was made up of CASTRO supporters.

The Americans' two defense attorneys charged that the prosecution's case was based entirely on "presumptions" and lacked corroborative testimony by "responsible witnesses".

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On February 1, 1961, the "Miami Herald" reported that the six American men who trained in Miami to fight CASTRO received sentences to thirty years in a Cuban prison for crimes against the state.

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the tug boat and dredge had both been tied very securely, and would be difficult to be taken without arousing suspicion.

[REDACTED] advised that WILBUR GEE was operator of the tug boat for this company for approximately four months, and was capable of piloting the boat to Cuba; also, that if the boat were made inoperative by disengaging some part of the motor, GEE was also capable of locating and fixing this trouble within a matter of a very few minutes.

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the following occurred.

At 12:20 AM, February 4, 1961, a light blue 1954 Ford or Chevrolet sedan arrived at the R. A. Brinkman dredge located on the North side of the Julia Tuttle Causeway (36th Street), Miami. Approximately seven or eight men were believed to have been unloaded.

At 12:30 AM, the tug boat "Gil Rokie" was observed by the authorities to pull away from the dredge. Immediately upon this observation, the police announced to the tug boat to stop, and fired two warning shots into the air. Simultaneously, the Harbor Patrol boat chased after the tug boat: After several shots were fired by the Harbor Patrol, the tug boat ran aground at Bay Point and 43rd Street, approximately 150 yards off-shore, Miami, Florida.

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Individuals aboard the Harbor Patrol boat, including two Patrol Inspectors of the United States Border Patrol, reportedly observed a light from the tug boat which they believed was the result of shots fired from that boat.

Three of the occupants aboard the tug boat jumped overboard and attempted to get to shore. One succeeded and escaped, and the other two were arrested in the water. Also, the two remaining men on the tug boat were captured.

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The four men were charged with armed robbery (maximum sentence - life imprisonment) and with grand larceny (maximum sentence - 20 years).

A pistol and other evidence found were retained as evidence by the Miami Police Department.

(b7c) [REDACTED] advised on February 4, 1961, that the "Gil Rokie" was floated off a sand bar with the assistance of another tug boat, and released to the custody of its owner, at approximately 12:00 Noon, February 4, 1961. The value of this boat, according to the owner, was approximately \$50,000.00.

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The individuals under arrest were:

KENNETH JOSEPH PROCTOR,
28 years of age,
United States citizen;

KENNETH GIRARD WOODLAND,
27 years of age,
United States citizen;

GUILLERMO HERRADA TORNA,
22 years of age,
Cuban citizen;

HARRY CHRISTENSON JOHNSON,
24 years of age,
United States citizen.

(b7c) [REDACTED] immediately prior to the arrest, arms and other unidentified objects were believed to have been thrown overboard and were in the process of being recovered.

On February 4, 1961, one rifle and one .45 automatic had been recovered by the Miami Police Department.

[REDACTED] advised that according to information received from the Harbor Patrol, the "Gil Rokie" left its mooring [REDACTED] adjacent to the dredge, crossed the main channel of the intercostal waterway in an Easterly direction, and then changed its course 180 degrees and ran aground on a sand bar approximately 150 yards off Bay Point,

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[REDACTED]

It is not believed that ROLANDO MASFERRER or any of his close associates have been in contact with the group of Americans living in the Hotel de Cuba.

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On February 7, 1961, [REDACTED] advised that additional equipment had been located by them on the tug boat, including full field packs, first aid kits, food staples, blankets, and miscellaneous supplies. In addition, a shirt with the shield shape patch of the International Brigade, black lettering on yellow background, with skull and cross bones, together with green army fatigue uniforms, canteen belts, and combat boots similar to that of United States Army surplus, are now in custody of the police.

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[REDACTED]

On February 8, 1961, [REDACTED] U. S. Border Patrol, Miami, advised that during the late evening hours of February 3, 1961 and early morning hours of February 4, 1961, U. S. Border Patrol [REDACTED]

(b7c) [REDACTED] accompanied the Miami Harbor Patrol at the request of the Miami Police Department, on a surveillance of the tug boat "Gil Rokie" located at the 36th Street Causeway, Miami.

About 1:15 AM, February 4, 1961, the "Gil Rokie" was taken from its location, and the Harbor Patrol boat, [REDACTED] pursued it immediately after the tug boat got under way.

[REDACTED] in an attempt to stop the tug boat, officers of the Harbor Patrol fired warning shots after the tug boat failed to heed the Patrol boat's siren. Several shots were fired by .22 rifle, .38 caliber pistol, and a shot gun using regular ammunition. It is unknown whether this warning fire was returned from the tug boat, [REDACTED] and the crew on the tug boat attempted to run close to shore at Northeast 43rd Street, Miami, and ran aground. The men then attempted to escape by wading and swimming ashore. Four were arrested and one individual, whose identity was unknown at this time, managed to escape.

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After the tug boat ran aground, subjects were observed throwing firearms over the side. The tug boat had field packs and ammunition (M-1) in quantity aboard.

The Cuban arrested on February 4, 1961, is identified as GUILLERMO HERRADA TORNA, 22 years of age, born February 10, 1938, arrived Miami on October 3, 1960 as a refugee, has Immigration file No. A11878668, and was last known to reside at 551 S. W. 1st Street, Miami, Florida.

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
the recovery to date by the Miami Police Department as a result of information furnished by the FBI, amounted to one tug boat, "Gil Rokie", \$50,000.00; one rifle, \$13.00, and 500 rounds of ammunition, approximately \$25.00, and 1 .45 automatic, \$65.00, total recovery \$50,103.00.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

2-289

Miami, Florida

FEB 20 1961

Re: KENNETH JOSEPH PROCTOR;
KENNETH GIRARD WOODLAND;
HARRY CHRISTENSON JOHNSON;
GUILLERMO HERRADA TORNA;
UNSUBS (3)

(b7c) Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated and captioned as above, at Miami.

(b1) / [REDACTED]

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC MIAMI

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3/11/82
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 DATE OF REVIEW 3/11/82

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER/BOJAS, NEUTRALITY MATTER. RETEL
 FROM JK AND BUTEL MARCH 2, 1961. ROLANDO MASFERRER ADVISED
 MARCH 3 INSTANT HE IS NOT PERSONALLY ACQUAINTED WITH [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED] NAME REFERRED TO HIM BY [REDACTED]

(b)(4) [REDACTED] DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS ANTI CASTRO AND ANTI
 COMMUNIST AND DESIRES ASSIST IN ANTI CASTRO EFFORTS. ROLANDO
 MASFERRER EXPLAINED HIS BROTHER, LUIS MASFERRER BRAVE DE PERALTA,
 MIAMI, TELEPHONICALLY CONVERSED WITH [REDACTED] CONCERNING
 POSSIBILITY OF RECEIVING HELP AND ACQUIRING RADIO TRANSMITTER
 FOR USE IN CUBA. ROLANDO ADVISED HE DOES NOT HAVE ANY ORGANIZATION,
 HAS NO DEFINITE PLANS TO GO TO CUBA BUT IS WILLING TO UNDERTAKE
 ANY ANTI CASTRO ACTION RESPECTING OF COURSE LAWS OF THE U.S.
 ROLANDO ADVISED THAT ON FEBRUARY 24, 1961, HE SUBMITTED APPLICATION
 TO "EJERCITO DE LIBERACION" (ARMY OF LIBERATION), ALONG WITH
 APPROXIMATELY 15 OF HIS CLOSE ASSOCIATES AND SUPPORTERS. [REDACTED]

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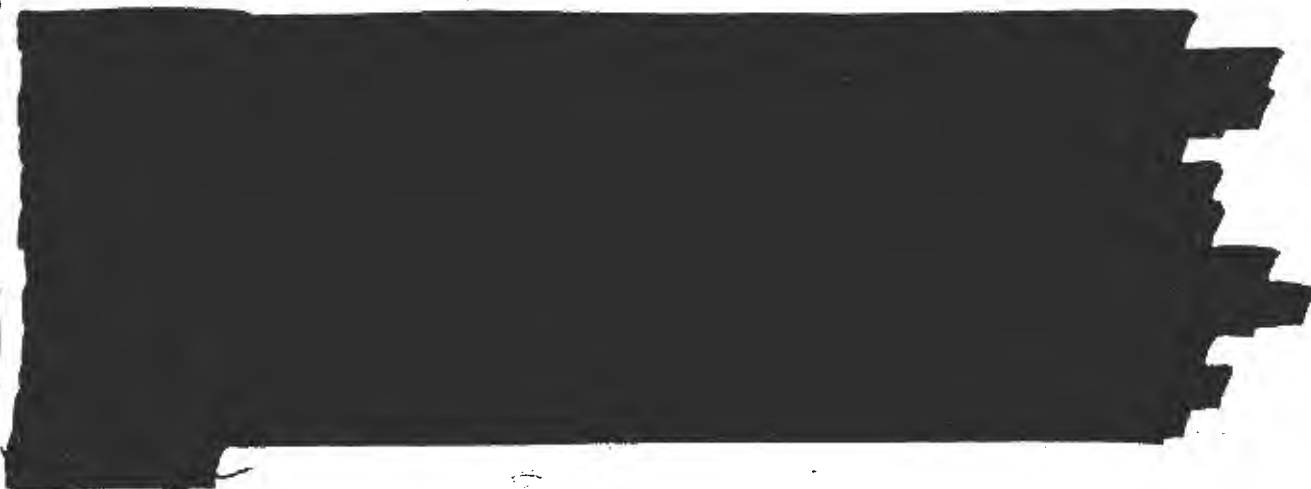
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1 - Mr. Simpson
1 - Liaison Section

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2-1622-82

EX 109

Date: March 7, 1961
To: Office of Security
Department of State
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTER

Reference is made to my letter dated
March 6, 1961, to the Department of State.

Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas was inter-
viewed by Agents of our Miami Office on March 3, 1961,
at which time he stated he does not have any organiza-
tion and has no definite plans to go to Cuba. He
stated, however, he is willing to undertake any anti-
Castro action with due respect to the laws of the
United States. He denied that he had been in contact
with anyone concerning a radio transmitter, but stated
that his brother, Luis Masferrer Brave de Peralta, had
made inquiries concerning the possibility of acquiring
a radio transmitter for use in Cuba.

BY COURIER SVC.

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**Office of Security
Department of State**

- 1 - Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Attention: Deputy Director, Plans**
- 1 - Director of Naval Intelligence**
- 1 - Office of Special Investigations
Air Force
Attention: Chief, Counter Intelligence Division**
- 1 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army
Attention: Chief, Security Division**
- 1 - The Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service**
- 1 - Deputy Commissioner, Investigations
Bureau of Customs**
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley**

FBI

Date: 3/3/61

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plain text or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (109-8)
 SUBJ: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
 NEUTRALITY MATTER

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Bureau requested explanation as to why information contained in referenced teletype was not furnished to Miami Office.

This is to advise that information in reJKtel was furnished to Miami early AM of 3/2/61 by telephone. File copy of retel designated copy of teletype for Miami via airmail. This fact, however, inadvertently not added to end of teletype when transmitted. Errors of form scored against responsible personnel. No further action recommended.

(b7c) 3 - Bureau 1 (RM)
 1 - Jacksonville
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 Special Agent in Charge

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1 - Liaison Section
1 - Mr. Simpson

2-1622

Date: March 6, 1961
To: Office of Security
Department of State
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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(b7c) This will confirm information furnished on
March 2, 1961. [redacted] of the State
Department, [redacted] Office of Naval Intelli-
gence, [redacted] Office of Special Investigations,
Department of the Air Force, and [redacted]
Immigration and Naturalization Service, by Special Agent
[redacted] of this Bureau;
Central Intelligence Agency, by Special Agent S. J. Panich
of this Bureau;
[redacted] Department of the Army, and
[redacted] Bureau of Customs, by Special Agent
[redacted] of this Bureau; and to [redacted]
Department of Justice, by Special Agent Roy D.
Simpson of this Bureau.

BY COURIER SVC.
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**Office of Security
Department of State**

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Additional inquiries concerning this matter are being conducted to determine whether Masferrer has in fact any group and plans to send an invasion group against Cuba. Upon receipt of any additional information concerning this matter, you will be advised.

- 1 - Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Attention: Deputy Director, Plans
- 1 - Director of Naval Intelligence
- 1 - Office of Special Investigations
Air Force
Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division
- 1 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army
Attention: Chief, Security Division
- 1 - The Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service
- 1 - Deputy Commissioner, Investigations
Bureau of Customs
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

Office of Security
Department of State

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3-2-61 Above information from Miami by teletype



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

TO SACS, MIAMI
JACKSONVILLE

MAR 2 1961

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI

TELETYPE

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NEUTRALITY MATTER. FOR
INFORMATION OF MIAMI FOLLOWING TELETYPE RECEIVED TODAY FROM
JACKSONVILLE. [REDACTED]

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NOTE ON YELLOW: Information regarding possible expedition
is being telephonically furnished to State, Central
Intelligence Agency, Office of Naval Intelligence, Air Force,
Army, Customs, Immigration and Naturalization Service and
the Department and will be confirmed separately.

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TELETYPE TO MIAMI
JACKSONVILLE
ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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[REDACTED]

MIAMI INSTRUCTED
CONTACT MASFERRER IMMEDIATELY REGARDING ALLEGATION MASFERRER
EXPECTS TO MOVE INTO CUBA NEXT FEW DAYS AND CONDUCT SUCH OTHER
INVESTIGATION AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO DETERMINE TRUTH OR FALSITY
OF ALLEGATION. ALSO DEFINITELY DETERMINE WHETHER MASFERRER HAS
EXPEDITIONARY FORCE OR IS CAPABLE OF LAUNCHING INVASION. SUTEL
RESULTS INVESTIGATION. JACKSONVILLE INSTRUCTED SUBMIT EXPLANATIONS
WHY ABOVE TELETYPE NOT SUBMITTED MIAMI.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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TO SAC, MIAMI

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NEUTRALITY MATTER. DEPARTMENT ADVISED APRIL SIX, ONE NINE SIX ONE, DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY PROCEEDING MIAMI TO PRESENT CAPTIONED CASE TO FEDERAL GRAND JURY AT NINE COLON THREE ZERO A.M., APRIL ONE ZERO, ONE NINE SIX ONE. DEPARTMENT HAS REQUESTED AVAILABILITY AND CURRENT ADDRESS BE DETERMINED FOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DEPARTMENT HAS REQUESTED THAT ALL BUREAU AGENTS STILL ASSIGNED TO MIAMI OFFICE WHO HAVE INTERVIEWED MASFERRER AND HAVE OBTAINED ADMISSIONS FROM HIM CONCERNING EXPEDITIONS FOR WHICH HE HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE SHOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR CONFERENCE WITH DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY AND AVAILABLE TO TESTIFY TO GRAND JURY MORNING OF APRIL ONE ZERO, ONE NINE SIX ONE. INFORMATION REGARDING WITNESSES SHOULD BE GIVEN TO AUSA BATES, MIAMI, WHO IS HANDLING CASE FOR DEPARTMENT PENDING ARRIVAL OF

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DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY. GIVE ALL POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE TO DEPARTMENTAL

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SEE MEMO SIZOO TO BELMONT, SAME DATE, SAME CAPTION

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Teletype to Miami

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
2-1622

ATTORNEY, HOWEVER, SINCE HE IS PROCEEDING BY INDICTMENT BUREAU
CONSIDERS IT ADVISABLE THAT ARRESTS BE MADE BY UNITED STATES
MARSHAL. NO COMMENTS SHOULD BE MADE BY YOUR OFFICE TO PRESS
INQUIRIES. BUTEL AVAILABILITY AND LOCATION OF ABOVE WITNESSES
AND IDENTITY OF BUREAU AGENTS. KEEP BUREAU ADVISED OF ALL
PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Mr. Simpson

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To: SAC, Miami (2-156)
From: Director, FBI (2-1622)

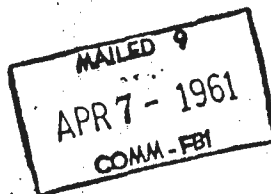
ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reurtel January 12, 1961, indicating a report
in this matter would be submitted.

Suairtel date and caption of report submitted, and
if not submitted, surep immediately.

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Department in January, 1961, requested availability
of certain witnesses for presentation of this case to Grand
Jury on 1-6-61. Miami determined availability and also
obtained additional information from one of these witnesses.
At that time, Departmental attorneys were in Miami, Departmental
attorneys were suddenly recalled by the Department without
presenting case. Miami advised that report would follow.
Bufiles disclose no record of this report.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office MIAMI	Office of Origin MIAMI	Date APR 8 1961	Investigative Period 12/16/60 - 4/6/61
TITLE OF CASE ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS		Report made by [REDACTED]	Typed By: ona
CLASS. & EXT. BY 2842mul GADMS REASON FCIM II, 1-2.4.2 2 DATE OF REVIEW 7/10/91		CHARACTER OF CASE NEUTRALITY MATTER ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE.	

REFERENCES: Report of SA [REDACTED] at Miami,
dated 12/15/60, at Miami.
Report of SA [REDACTED] at Miami,
dated 12/19/60, entitled "ENC; RA - CUBA;
NM".
Miami teletype to Director 12/29/60.
Miami airtel to Director 1/4/61.
Miami teletype to Director 1/6/61.
Miami teletype to Director 1/20/61.
Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 2/20/61,
at Miami, in the case entitled "KENNETH
JOSEPH PROCTOR, ET AL.; NM".
Bureau teletype to Miami and Jacksonville 3/2/61.

AGENCY State, CIA, FBI - P-
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Approved Wesley B. Grapp Special Agent in Charge	Do not write in spaces below	
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LEADS

MIAMI:

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will continue to follow and report results of possible prosecution.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Close liaison has been maintained on a current basis with all interested U. S. agencies.

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In accordance with Bureau letter to Assistant Attorney General J. WALTER YEAGLEY dated December 30, 1960, no active investigation was conducted in this matter except that expressly directed by the Department.

The investigative period extends from December 16, 1960, to April 6, 1961, merely to report additional information which has come to the attention of the Bureau which may enable the Department of Justice to render an opinion concerning possible prosecution of ROLANDO MASFERRER.

(b7c) The interview with ROLANDO MASFERRER January 20, 1961, was reported on FD 302 contained in referenced report of SA [REDACTED] dated February 20, 1961, at Miami.

(b7c
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This report is classified secret since information contained herein was so classified.

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(b7c) /

Original FD 302 setting forth report of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] is located in referenced report of
SA [REDACTED] dated 12/19/60, at Miami.

INFORMANTS

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Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed in this report, and "T" symbols have been utilized only in those instances where identity must be concealed.

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Report of: [REDACTED] (b7c)
 Date: [REDACTED]

Office: Miami, Florida

Field Office File #: 2-156

Bureau File #: 2-1622

Title: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character: NEUTRALITY MATTER

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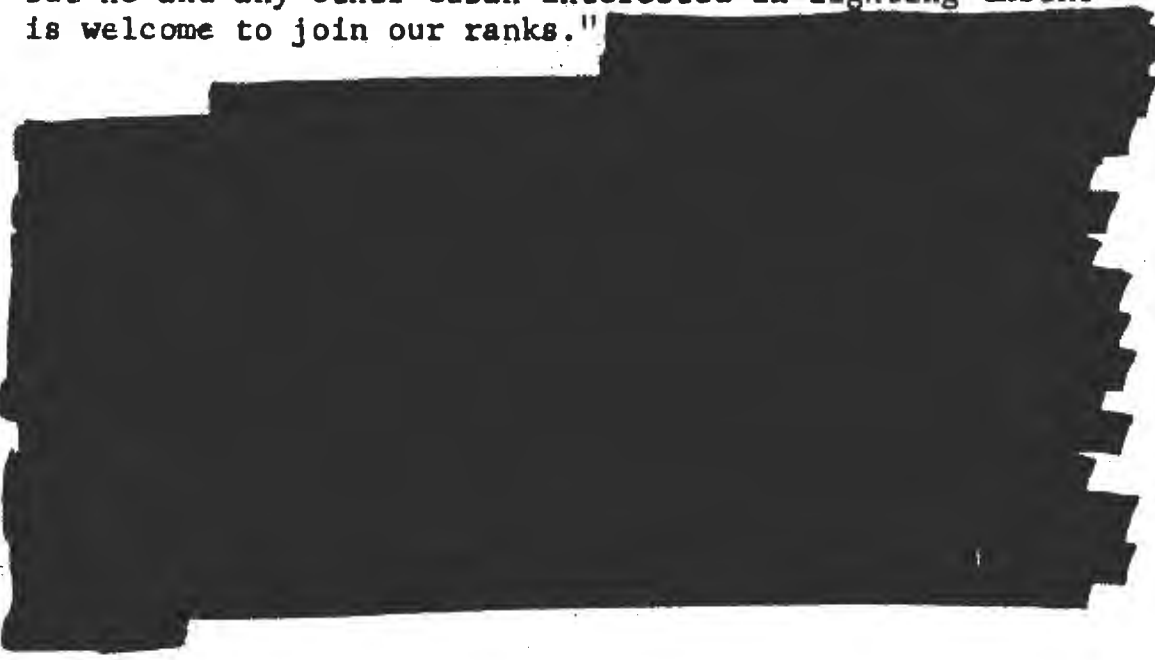
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EJERCITO NACIONAL CUBANO (ENC) (CUBAN NATIONAL ARMY)

Cuba

On November 1, 1960, an article appeared in the "Miami News", a daily publication, Miami, captioned "Cuban Ex-Colonel Forms Army Here". This article reflected that PABLO R. CORZO IZAGUIRRE, former Lieutenant Colonel in the Cuban Army, had been designated by his fellow exiles as the head of the "Cuban National Army". According to the article CORZO indicated he had been requested to organize all former Cuban Army personnel in exile into a force against FIDEL CASTRO. The article continued that CORZO stated former Cuban Senator ROLANDO MASFERRER was in attendance at the meeting which formed the ENC. According to the article CORZO pointed out "This doesn't mean that the ENC belongs to MASFERRER, but he and any other Cuban interested in fighting CASTRO is welcome to join our ranks."

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advised that the ENC, of which ROLANDO MASFERRER claimed leadership, was merely a paper organization drawn from the name of the Cuban National Army, by which name the Army of Cuba during the BATISTA regime was known.

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(b-1) [redacted] stated that on or about January 5, 1961, when the Miami Police Department forced occupants of the barracks-type house at 1651 West Flagler Street, Miami, to vacate the premises, MASFERRER lost control of the individuals living there. [redacted] stated that the occupants of this house were supported by MASFERRER, and, therefore, considered recruits and supporters of the ENC under the leadership of ROLANDO MASFERRER.

On January 20, 1961, ROLANDO MASFERRER, during the course of another investigation after having been advised he did not have to make a statement, any statement made by him could be used against him in a court of law and he had the right to consult an attorney, furnished information concerning the ENC, acknowledging that he understood the provisions of the Neutrality Act and the Foreign Agents' Registration Act, and that it was a Federal violation to furnish false information to Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

MASFERRER related that the individuals who formerly lived at 1651 West Flagler Street, Miami and were forced to move as a result of the request of the Miami Police Department were formerly members of the ENC. He advised that he assisted with financial support to these individuals who were living at this house by offering them free room and board. MASFERRER stated that the ENC had disintegrated due principally to the fact that he had lost control over the activities of his supporters after the barracks-type house at 1651 West Flagler Street was closed.

During the course of the conversation MASFERRER reiterated he did not desire to violate the Neutrality Act of the United States and was ready, willing and able to do whatever the United States Government might request of him. He stated further that in conversation with various

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individual Americans who continue to reside in the Miami area, former supporters of his, they have indicated they planned to go to Cuba under any circumstances if at all possible in order to combat communism in Cuba. MASFERRER advised that he personally did not plan to re-organize any group unless he had the support of a larger group with the backing of the United States.

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES OF ROLANDO MASFERRER

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On December 12, 1960, ROLANDO MASFERRER held a meeting at a house located 23rd Avenue and West Flagler Street, Miami. This meeting was attended by approximately 200 individuals, at which time MASFERRER stated he was attempting to organize an anti-CASTRO movement of 1,000 individuals. Also [REDACTED] MASFERRER was trying to obtain arms for these future recruits.

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(b7c) On January 4, 1961, [REDACTED] United States Department of State, Miami, Florida, advised that on or about December 30, 1960, he received a communication from the State Department in Washington, D. C., indicating that MASFERRER was going to have a demonstration. Through investigation [REDACTED] ascertained that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] planned to take news pictures of MASFERRER's group conducting military exercises.

On January 23, 1961, [REDACTED] that the plan was discontinued, inasmuch as MASFERRER had been unable to obtain weapons to be used in this demonstration, and that there was lack of enthusiasm on the part of MASFERRER's group to participate in such a demonstration.

(b-1) On [REDACTED] that MASFERRER was no longer engaged in any anti-CASTRO activities, that he was still very anti-communist and anti-CASTRO in his beliefs; however, most of his supporters had left him and the organization after he discontinued rendering support. [REDACTED] stated the Americans recently recruited by him had left, and as a matter of fact MASFERRER's plans were indefinite.

[REDACTED] that MASFERRER had been in contact with an individual who had offered a small radio transmitter for his, MASFERRER's, group's use possibly in Cuba for broadcasts to Cuban people.

(b7d) [REDACTED]

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS voluntarily appeared at the Miami Office accompanied by JULIO FERNANDEZ TREVEJO, his close associate. After having been advised that he did not have to make any statements, that he had the right to consult an attorney, and any statements made by him could be used against him in a court of law, he furnished the following information voluntarily, acknowledging that he understood the provisions of the Neutrality Act and the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended:

MASFERRER stated that he had not been actively engaged in any recruiting or other active participation in anti-CASTRO activities except to visit with friends and acquaintances, principally Cuban exiles living in Miami since the beginning of the year. He reiterated that he desired to comply with the laws of the United States, and was grateful for the opportunity to reside as an exile in Miami, Florida. He continued that he believed there would be an invasion of Cuba during the first fifteen days of April, 1961; however, remarked that this was merely a surmisal on his part, and he had no factual or other information concerning this matter.

He indicated a desire to rejuvenate a training camp some place in the Florida Keys, with special interest and emphasis placed on No Name Key and Big Pine Key, Monroe County, Florida. He related that he would like to assemble a group of approximately 300 individuals on an island in the Keys for the sole purpose of having a group together which might possibly be ready to actively participate in a future invasion of Cuba. He stated that he did not have any definite plans in this connection, and that he did not desire, and would in fact if his plan were placed into operation, prohibit the use or ownership of

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firearms at this camp. He advised the men would be trained in night patrols and the art of self-defense, while at the same time undergoing a rigorous physical education program.

He stated that continuously since the publicity was printed in the newspapers concerning the 27-man invasion of Cuba which resulted in the death of TONY ZARBA, BOBBY FULLER and DALE THOMPSON, he has received telegrams and personal visits from many American veterans who are desirous of participating in such an invasion against the FIDEL CASTRO government of Cuba. He described the government of Cuba as a satellite of Soviet Russia, and explained that from information furnished to him by sources which he believed to be reliable, without identifying same, indicated that Cuba was being armed and equipped with both men and supplies by members of the Soviet Bloc countries.

MASFERRER presented a memorandum dated January 28, 1961, which bears his signature, which sets forth a "Plan for Establishment of a Center for Guerrilla Operations in Oriente Province, Cuba". This memorandum is set forth as follows:

"The topography, vegetation, communications, population and crops in a sector from the center to the east of the province of Oriente offer an ideal place for the organization and development of big scale guerrilla warfare with the greatest possibilities of posterior and more ambitious military maneuvers.

"This strategically important region reaches: Santiago de Cuba, Palma Soriano, El Cobre, Alto Songo, Mayari, Guantanamo, Yateras, Baracoa and Sagua de Tanamo.

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"Inside of this great irregular triangle there are numerous underground organizations, a potentially strong manpower reserve of middle class farmers (coffee, sugar cane growers and cattlemen) whose hostility to communism and government policies are well known in the province.

"At the present time there are half a dozen prominent exiles in Miami that could provide excellent information or would be willing to evaluate any intelligence data about the situation in their respective localities where they have lived for long years. Most of them have shown their willingness to join any serious enterprise in the proposed region.

"The clandestine introduction in the zone of 500 weapons and the corresponding ammo. and a reliably radiophonic equipment capable of maintaining communications with Miami, with the previous sending of some men of sufficient knowledge, would be the first phase of the operation.

"I would permit myself to make the suggestion of recruiting from 700 to 1000 men in the United States, among the exiles in a period of 15 days and their concentration and training in one of the keys south of Miami. (No Name Key, per ex.)

"After 30 days of intensive training this personnel would disembark in the port of Baracoa in the eastern-north coast of Oriente and seize the town and airport. 700 men would

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"be required for this operation. Simultaneously, 300 would disembark by the south coast in Cajobabo or Imias to block, with the facility of the terrain any immediate counterattack on the part of the so called 'operational tactical forces' that the communist keep between San Antonio del Sur, Caujeri and the Sabanalamar River, near Guantanamo, at the present under command of Major CASILLAS.

"Once secured the extreme eastern tip of Oriente, it would be feasible the raising of not less than five thousand men in the region to initiate offensive operations to the north, the south and the west, disrupting communications and establishing effective control on the supplies of farm products to the important towns and urban centers of the whole province.

"It would be essential to accomplish immediate results to guarantee adequate supplies from the United States. I have reasons to believe that the government of Haiti, at this moment would be most happy to provide facilities for training and supplies.

"Oriente has two million in habitants. The development of this centre of activities before 45 days would mean a terrific blow to communism in all of Cuba. It could not be predicted now how far the consequences might be.

"I suggest the participation of the following persons in the application of this plan:

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Cuba

"FERMIN MORALES, ex-mayor of Guantanamo
IBRAHIM BABUN, industrialist from Santiago de Cuba
MIGUEL TABERNERO, ex congressman from Alto Songo
ENRIQUE SERRANO, sugar cane and coffee grower
ANGEL SANCHEZ MOSQUERA, ex colonel, army
LUIS MASFERRER, ex mayor, navy
JOVINO GARCIA, ex mayor Sagua de Tanamo
MARIANO REY, ex mayor Alto Songo, ex governor
Oriente prov.
RAMON JIMENEZ MACEDA, ex minister of interior, from
Guantanamo.

"t/s ROLANDO MASFERRER

Miami, Jan. 28/61."

ROLANDO MASFERRER explained that the Ejercito de Liberacion Nacional (Army of National Liberation) (ELN), an anti-CASTRO and anti-communist organization actively undergoing training in Guatemala, will, according to MASFERRER, be the leaders of an invasion force against Cuba in the near future. The members of this organization, according to MASFERRER, were recruited by the Frente Revolucionario Democratico (FRD) in the United States, principally Miami.

MASFERRER continued that he has plans to call his organization Ejercito de Liberacion Nacional, the same organization as in Guatemala. He continued that he did not have any affiliation with the organization in Guatemala, and that its members were not associated with the Frente or the organization in Guatemala. He stated that he did not believe there should be any distinction among those individuals who actively participate in an invasion of Cuba, which he described as inevitable in the near future. For this reason MASFERRER stated he had been in contact with ANGEL SANCHEZ MOSQUERA on February 20, 1961.

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He explained that JULIO FERNANDEZ TREVEJO had recently returned from Washington and New York where he had visited the office of Captain ~~DIAZ ENRIQUEZ~~ (phonetic), located on 9th Avenue between 42nd and 43rd Streets, New York City, NY. This office, operating under the name of Union de Fuerzas Armadas de Cuba, has been actively recruiting individuals to participate in an expedition to Cuba under the military direction of ANGEL SANCHEZ MOSQUERA, former Colonel in the Cuban National Army prior to the overthrow of FULGENCIO BATISTA, former President of Cuba.

MASFERRER indicated that SANCHEZ MOSQUERA informed him he had not actively recruited individuals in the Miami area, but solely in the New York area. He explained that he was acting under the directions received through conversation with "influential men from Washington".

According to MASFERRER, SANCHEZ MOSQUERA indicated he had previously met these individuals, without further identification, in Washington, D. C., approximately two months ago, at which time he was informed he, SANCHEZ MOSQUERA, and his supporters could be utilized to participate in combatting FIDEL CASTRO and the government of Cuba. This group of supporters was not restricted to military men. MASFERRER also stated that SANCHEZ MOSQUERA had not promised to pay any of his supporters.

MASFERRER explained that SANCHEZ MOSQUERA planned to return to New York on February 25, 1961, in order to meet and confer with the same "influential men from Washington". At this time SANCHEZ MOSQUERA plans to inform them of MASFERRER's desires to assemble 300 to 1,000 men in a camp in the Florida Keys, as set forth above.

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MASFERRER advised that he had printed a personnel questionnaire and sworn statement which he made available to the FBI to be used in connection with the recruiting of individuals for training in the Florida Keys under the name of ELN. He indicated that these two papers were similar to those utilized by the Guatemalan organization.

MASFERRER advised that the establishment of a camp would be dependent upon results of SANCHEZ MOSQUERA's conversation to take place in New York and advice of his attorney, MUNROE GELB, attorney at law, Miami.

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Miami, Florida

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

(b)(4) [REDACTED] Reference is made to the report of Special Agent
[REDACTED] at Miami, dated and captioned as above.

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: April 6, 1961

FROM : MR. D. E. MOORE

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTER

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Subject is a former Cuban Senator who fled Cuba with the fall of Batista. He has been residing in Miami, Florida, and has been active in the Anti-Castro Movement and has allegedly been responsible for several attempted expeditions against Cuba.

Assistant Attorney General Yeagley advised at 4:45 pm, April 6, 1961, that the Attorney General has decided to proceed against Masferrer and wants an indictment returned Monday, 4/10/61. Yeagley said he has not been cut in on the discussions and decisions in this matter, but was informed that this is a policy decision and insisted on by the White House. Yeagley said he is dispatching an attorney to Miami and is contacting the U. S. Attorney and instructing him to convene a Grand Jury so that the indictment can be returned April 10 as desired by the Attorney General. Yeagley said he presumed Masferrer will be indicted for conspiracy to violate Section 960, Title 18, U. S. Code, relating to the organization of a military expedition from the United States against a foreign nation. Yeagley said he did not know whether we were aware of this, but wanted to pass this on.

I expressed appreciation for his call.

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For information. Appropriate instructions are being given our Miami Office.

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TODAY FCJ, MIAMI, RETURNED TRUE BILL OF INDICTMENT CHARGING MASFERRER WITH CONSPIRACY TO VIOLATE XX SEC. NINE SIXTY, T. EIGHTEEN, USC, I. E., SETTING ON FOOT MILITARY EXPEDITION FROM WITHIN U. S. AGAINST CUBA. INDICTED AS COCONSPIRATORS BUT NOT DEFENDANTS WERE ARMENTINO FERIA PEREZ, JULIO FERNANDEZ TREVEJO, ANSELMO ALIEGRO, FRANKLIN JOSEPH WILLIAMS, HORACIO CANIZAREZ, SANTIAGO ALVEREZ, FNU CARTAYA. ENUMERATED WERE THIRTEEN OVERT ACTS, CULMINATING IN SAILING OF BOAT QUOTE MARY ANN UNQUOTE FROM MIAMI SEPT. TWENTYSIX, SIXTY, WITH VARIOUS OF COCONSPIRATORS ABOARD AND LANDING ON COAST OF CUBA ON OR ABOUT OCT. FOUR SIXTY. MASFERRER CONTINUES TO BE IN CUSTODY INS, MIAMI, AND BELIEVED DETAINER WILL BE FILED AFTER BENCH WARRANT

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ISSUED BY USDJ. RECOMMENDED BOND TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS. EDWARD P. AHRENS, DIST. DIRECTOR, INS, MIAMI, ADVISED TODAY HE RECEIVED LETTER FROM MASFERRER-S ATTORNEY, MONROE GELB, REQUESTING MASFERRER BE CONTINUED ON PAROLE ON CONDITION HE LEAVE MIAMI AREA FOR RESIDENCE IN WASHINGTON DASH BALTIMORE AREA. AHRENS INDICATED NO IMMEDIATE ACTION WOULD BE TAKEN RE GELB-S REQUEST. BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED. REPORT FOLLOWS PROMPTLY WITH DETAILS OF INDICTMENT

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Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

1 - Mr. Simpson

April 11, 1961

Director, FBI

BOLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my memorandum dated
April 10, 1961.

On April 10, 1961, a Federal Grand Jury at
Miami, Florida, returned a true bill of indictment charging
Masferrer with conspiracy to violate Section 960, Title 18,
United States Code, in connection with the military
expedition from the United States against Cuba on October 4,
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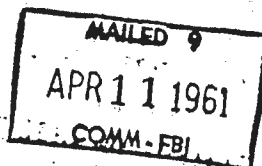
Our Miami Office has advised that Masferrer
continues to be in the custody of the Immigration and
Naturalization Service, Miami, Florida, and that it is
quite possible a detainer will be filed after a bench
warrant is issued by the United States District Judge in
Miami. It is further understood that a bond of \$10,000
will probably be set.

Mr. Edward P. Ahrens, District Director of the
Immigration and Naturalization Service, Miami, Florida,
advised on April 10, 1961, he had received a letter from
Monroe Gelb, the attorney for Masferrer, requesting that
Masferrer be continued on parole on the condition that he
leave the Miami area and take up residence in the Washington
Baltimore area. Mr. Ahrens indicated that no immediate
action should be taken concerning this request of Mr. Gelb.

As additional information is received, you will
be advised.

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From: JOHN H. DAVITT, Chief

To: Mr. Sizoo

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ENCLOSURE

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Indictment No. _____

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

1. That beginning in July 1960 and continuously thereafter up to and including the date of filing of this indictment, in the Southern District of Florida and elsewhere, Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, the defendant herein, unlawfully, willfully and knowingly, did conspire with Armentino Peria Perez, also known as "El Indio", Julio Fernandez Trevejo, Anselmo Aliegro, Franklin Joseph Williams, Horacio Canizares, Santiago Alvarez, one (first name unknown) Cartaya; co-conspirators but not known to violate Section 960, Title 18, United States Code, in that he unlawfully willfully and knowingly, did conspire to begin and set on foot, and to provide and prepare the means for, and to furnish money for and to take part in a military expedition and enterprise to be carried on from within the United States against the Republic of Cuba, a foreign state with which the United States, at all times mentioned herein, has been and is now at peace.

2. It was a part of said conspiracy that said defendant and co-conspirators would recruit a group of persons in the United States to participate in a military expedition and enterprise to be carried on from within the United States and elsewhere against the Republic of Cuba.

3. It was also a part of said conspiracy that said defendant and co-conspirators would furnish and cause to be furnished the money for the purchase of arms, uniforms, transportation and food for those persons participating in a military expedition and enterprise to be carried on from within the United States against the Republic of Cuba.

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4. It was further a part of the conspiracy that the said defendant and said co-conspirators would purchase, transport and conceal, and cause to be purchased, transported and concealed, arms for the use of persons participating in a military expedition and enterprise to be carried on from within the United States against the Republic of Cuba.

5. It was also a part of said conspiracy that the said defendant and co-conspirators would transport and cause to be transported by boats an armed military expedition and enterprise from within the United States against the Republic of Cuba.

In pursuance and furtherance of said conspiracy and to effect the object thereof, the defendant and his co-conspirators did commit in the Southern District of Florida and elsewhere, the following overt acts, among others:

OVERT ACTS

1. In early September of 1960, in the Southern District of Florida, Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, the defendant herein, did solicit and receive from Anselmo Aliegro, a co-conspirator herein, a check for two thousand dollars payable to the said defendant.

2. In early September of 1960, in the Southern District of Florida, the said defendant herein did endorse said check to Julio Fernandez Trevejo, a co-conspirator herein.

3. In early September of 1960, the said Julio Fernandez Trevejo, a co-conspirator herein, did cash the said check at the Metropolitan Bank in Miami, Florida.

4. In early September of 1960, the said Armentino Faria Perez and Julio Fernandez Trevejo, co-conspirators herein, did purchase four carbines at the Tamiami Gun Shop in Miami, Florida.

5. In or about August or September of 1960, the said Armentino Faria Perez and Julio Fernandez Trevejo, co-conspirators herein, did

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purchase seven Garand rifles, ten carbines and 12,000 rounds of carbine ammunition at the Flagler Jewelry and Loan Company, Miami, Florida.

6. On or about September 19, 1960, in the Southern District of Florida, the said defendant herein did meet with the said Franklin Joseph Williams, a co-conspirator herein.

7. On or about September 20, 1960, in the Southern District of Florida, the said Franklin Joseph Williams, a co-conspirator herein, did receive \$200.00 from the said Julio Fernandez Trevejo, a co-conspirator herein.

8. In or about September of 1960, the said Franklin Joseph Williams, a co-conspirator herein, did move his boat, the "Sunspot" from Marathon, Florida to Miami, Florida.

9. In or about September of 1960, in the Southern District of Florida, the said Franklin Joseph Williams, a co-conspirator herein, did load his boat, the said "Sunspot", with 1100 gallons of gasoline in drums.

10. In or about September of 1960, in the Southern District of Florida, the said defendant herein and the said Santiago Alvarez, a co-conspirator herein, did obtain the services of a boat mechanic.

11. In or about September of 1960, in the Southern District of Florida, the said defendant herein did obtain the use of a boat named the "Mary Ann" from one Santiago Alvarez, the boat captain and owner and a co-conspirator herein.

12. On or about September 26, 1960, the said Franklin Joseph Williams, Horacio Canisares, Santiago Alvarez and Cartaya, co-conspirators herein, did sail from Miami.

13. On or about October 4, 1960, the said Franklin Joseph Williams, a co-conspirator herein, did land a group of men on the coast of Cuba.

(In violation of Section 371, Title 18, United States Code).

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: April 10, 1961

FROM : MR. J. A. SIZOO

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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[REDACTED] of the Internal Security Division of the Department, called again today (4/10/61) concerning the Department's presentation of the captioned case to the Grand Jury. The Department advised on Thursday (4/6) that the Neutrality case against Masferrer would be presented to a Grand Jury in Miami, Florida, today and an indictment sought.

(b7c) [REDACTED] sent over the copy of the attached indictment which the Department is seeking and which charges Masferrer, as the only defendant, with conspiring with four other named individuals and divers other persons to violate Section 960, Title 18, United States Code, in that they conspired to set on foot a military expedition to be carried on from within the United States against the Republic of Cuba.

[REDACTED] said there were two matters which he would like to raise with the Bureau.

First, he said the Department desired to know whether Masferrer owned any property other than his home - such as farms, businesses, et cetera. We have no information in the Bureau's files bearing on this, other than that which appears in investigative reports which are in the Department's hands. Accordingly, Miami has been telephonically requested to advise the Bureau whether any information in this connection is known to Miami.

Second, [REDACTED] asked advice from the Bureau as to whether the Bureau would be willing to serve a search warrant to search Masferrer's home and any other property he may have, for evidence pertinent to the conspiracy. [REDACTED] advised that he is not sure a search warrant can be obtained and, in fact, is rather doubtful that sufficient evidence is now available to

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont from Mr. Sizoo

Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTER

(b7c) warrant it. He said he hoped additional information in this connection might be developed during the preparation of the witnesses for the Grand Jury or the Grand Jury presentation. [redacted] noted that the subject was taken into custody by Immigration and Naturalization Service on Saturday, 4/8/61, and is in their constructive custody in a hospital in Miami, and that, therefore, no search of the property would be possible incident to arrest.

Although this case, of course, has political overtones, it is believed that since it is a Bureau case and an indictment is being sought in a matter over which the Bureau has investigative jurisdiction, we should serve a search warrant if the Department is successful in obtaining one.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Department be advised the Bureau will serve the search warrant if one is issued.

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Mr. Sizoo was advised.
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4/10 - [redacted] was advised. It subsequently advised that Dept would not seek search warrant.
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FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NM. RMYTEL FOUR SEVEN SIXTYONE

(b7d) DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEYS, [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] ARRIVED
MIAMI THIS DATE AND INDICATED THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DESIRED AN
INDICTMENT RETURNED AGAINST MASFERRER FOUR TEN SIXTYONE AM,
VIOLATION NM. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

ACTING DISTRICT DIRECTOR, JOSEPH MINTON, INS, MIAMI, ADVISED MASFERRER
SERVED WITH WRITTEN NOTICE HIS PAROLE HAS BEEN REVOKED AND
MASFERRER TAKEN INTO DETENTION. HOWEVER, MASFERRER, DUE TO ILL
HEALTH PAREN [HEART TROUBLE] END PAREN IS UNDER GUARD AT JACKSON
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, MIAMI, AND UNDER CARE OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
HEALTH. MASFERRER IN CONTACT WITH HIS ATTORNEY, MONROE GELB.
MINTON FURNISHED COPY OF LETTER FROM U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE TO THE
ATTORNEY GENERAL, WHICH STATED IN PART, QUOTE, "THE CONTINUED PRESENCE
AT LARGE OF MASFERRER IN THE UNITED STATES AND PARTICULARLY IN THE
STATE OF FLORIDA IS PREJUDICIAL TO OUR NATIONAL INTEREST FROM THE

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POINT OF VIEW OF OUR FOREIGN RELATIONS. ANY ACTION WHICH THE INS CAN TAKE WITHIN THE LAW ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO REVOKE THIS ALIEN-S PAROLE, DEPORTING HIM OR RESTRICTING HIS PRESENCE AT LARGE, WOULD ACCORDINGLY ADVANCE OUR FOREIGN POLICY OBJECTIVES. ~~END QUOTE~~. BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: April 11, 1961

FROM : MR. J. A. SIZOO

1-Mr. Belmont
1-Mr. Baumgardner
1-Mr. Simpson

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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I called Miami yesterday morning (4/10/61), talking to ASAC Baker, and, in view of the request from the Department for such information, asked Baker to advise the Bureau of the identity of any houses, farms, businesses, et cetera, which might be owned by Masferrer.

ASAC Baker called back at 2:56 pm, 4/10, advising that Masferrer owns no property whatsoever; that he is renting the house his family lives in for \$150 a month; that the rent is paid by friends; that, while Masferrer at one time had access to a boat, that boat has now been sunk. According to Baker, Masferrer is in dire financial straits and his wife has sold one fur and has pawned a fur coat and some jewelry. Masferrer had previously advised Bureau that he had had practically no warning when he found it necessary to leave Cuba and was not able to take much in the way of valuables with him.

(b)(c) [REDACTED] of the Department, was furnished the above information from Miami.

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April 10, 1961

Director, FBI

BOLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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Reference is made to your telephone conversation with Inspector Donald E. Moore of this Bureau on April 6, 1961, advising that the case against the captioned individual would be presented to a Federal Grand Jury in Miami, Florida, on April 10, 1961.

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Mr. Joseph Minton, Acting District Director, and the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Miami, advised on April 9, 1961, that Masferrer had been served with a written notice revoking his parole and had been taken into custody. He is now under guard at Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, Florida, and is under the care of the Department of Public Health in view of his ill health due to heart trouble.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: April 6, 1961

FROM : MR. J. A. SIZOO

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTER

1-Mr. Parsons ✓
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Reference is made to the memorandum to you from Mr. D. E. Moore of a few moments ago, in the captioned matter, which related to the Departmental plans for the presentation of the facts concerning the subject's activities to a Grand Jury in Miami, Florida, on Monday, 4/10/61.

(b7c) [REDACTED] of the Internal Security Division of the Department, called at 5:00 p.m., 4/6, and advised he was starting the spade work in the Department to get the case lined up for a Grand Jury. He asked that we verify the whereabouts and availability of the following witnesses, most of whom would be needed before the Grand Jury beginning at 9:30 a.m., Monday, 4/10:

3. The FBI Agents who interviewed Masferrer and to whom he admitted participation in the abortive landing in Cuba on 10/4/60.

(b7c) [REDACTED] advised that Assistant U. S. Attorney Bates in Miami was handling this case for the Department pending the arrival of a Departmental attorney, and [REDACTED] desired that we advise AUSA Bates as to the availability of these Grand Jury witnesses. He asked that the Department also be advised.

This is the case which has been in the hands of the Department for months and which was discussed at considerable length by the Department with the State Department in an effort to arrive at a decision as to whether Masferrer should be the subject of prosecution. In addition, Masferrer advised our Agents

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COPY TO MR. TOLSON

And now we are given only 3 days notice!

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MEMORANDUM TO MR. BELMONT FROM MR. SIZOO

Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTER

that he would cease his activity if he were asked to do so by the U. S. Government. We passed this information on to the Department, which, in turn, furnished it to the State Department. The State Department never, to our knowledge, made any request of Masferrer to cease his activities. It can be expected that Masferrer will use this fact in his defense. It would appear now that this case is being pressed by the Administration because of complaints made by the Cuban Government that no action is being taken against anti-Castro elements in the United States who are violating the law.

Bearing in mind that the proceeding against Masferrer is to be by indictment and that there is some question as to whether prosecution can be effectively carried out, it is not believed we should participate in any arrests made or that we should make any press release.

ACTION:

There is attached a teletype to our Miami Office, instructing that the witnesses requested by the Department, including FBI Agents, be located and made available for Grand Jury testimony on April 10. Further, the Miami Office is being instructed not to participate in any arrests made and not to make any comment to the press concerning this matter.

sent 4/10
Miami notified telephonically as to this

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Attached teletype relates to
Department's plans to present neutrality
case against Naxos to Grand Jury.

referred
[REDACTED] Miami
[REDACTED] to serve subpoena on
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FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NM. REBUTEL APRIL SIX INSTANT.

(b1) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ASST. ATTORNEY GENERAL AUSA LLOYD G. BATES ADVISED HAD BEEN IN PHONE CONTACT WITH AAG J. W. YEAGLEY AND DEPT. ATTORNEY [REDACTED] INTERNAL SECURITY SECTION. HE WAS INSTRUCTED TO TAKE NO FURTHER ACTION IN THIS MATTER UNTIL HE RECEIVES FURTHER WORD FROM WASHINGTON AND MATTERS SHOULD BE HANDLED WITH UTMOST SECRECY. [REDACTED] SUGGESTED ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE TO HAVE FBI SERVE SUBPOENAE-S TO WITNESSES.

(b1) BATES WAS ADVISED [REDACTED] RE SERVING SUBPOENA. BUREAU REQUESTED ADVISE ACTION IT DESIRES MIAMI UNDERTAKE IF SO REQUESTED. [REDACTED]
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(b7c) MIAMI CONTINUING EFFORTS [REDACTED] BUREAU WILL
BE ADVISED.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Re Bureau airtel to Miami 4/7/61.

(b7c) Report of SA [REDACTED], dated 4/8/61 at Miami,
captioned as above, has been submitted.

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(b7c) [REDACTED] jgm
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Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Evans	✓
Mr. Malone	✓
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FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/

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BOLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NM. REMYTEL FOUR TEN SIXTYONE.

ASST. U.S. ATTORNEY

AUSA EDITH HOUSE, MIAMI, ADVISED FOUR ELEVEN SIXTYONE SHE WAS

SERVED WITH NOTICE OF MOTION TO SET BAIL BY MONROE GELD, SUBJECTS

U.S. DIST. JUDGE

SOUTHERN DIST. OF FLA.

ATTORNEY. USDJ EMMETT CHOATE, USDC, SDF, SET BAIL ONE THOUSAND

DOLLARS WITH TWO CONDITIONS- MASFERRER CANNOT LEAVE DADE COUNTY

WITHOUT WRITTEN PERMISSION OF COURT AND HE IS NOT TO ENGAGE IN

COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITY AGAINST CUBAN GOVERNMENT. AUSA

HOUSE RELATED SHE OBJECTED TO CONDITIONS MASFERRER UNABLE TO LEAVE

DADE COUNTY AND USDJ CHOATE ANSWERED HE WAS THOROUGHLY FAMILIAR

WITH SUBJECTS CASE, THAT HE KNEW MASFERRER AND KNEW HE WOULDN'T

RUN AWAY. USDJ STATED INS HAD NO RIGHT TO HOLD SUBJECT, HE HAD

RULED AGAINST INS BEFORE AND WOULD PROBABLY DO SO AGAIN. AUSA

HOUSE ADVISED THAT GELD INFORMED HER THIS EVENING HE WOULD FILE

SOME PAPERS TOMORROW MORNING AND HAD MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO GO BEFORE

USDJ CHOATE ONE FORTYFIVE PM, FOUR TWELVE SIXTYONE. AUSA HOUSE

BELIEVES USDJ MAY POSSIBLY REMOVE SUBJECT FROM INS CUSTODY ON

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ltr to AAG yeagley
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c.c. Belmont

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FOUR TWELVE SIXTYONE. AUSA STATED A BENCH WARRANT HAD BEEN
ISSUED AND DETAINER PLACED WITH INS, MIAMI, FOUR ELEVEN SIXTYONE.
SHE ALSO ADVISED GELB HAD RESCINDED LETTER TO INS INDICATING
MASFERRERS DESIRE TO MOVE TO WASHINGTON- BALTIMORE AREA. [REDACTED]

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY IN MIAMI, ADVISED FOUR ELEVEN SIXTYONE HE AND [REDACTED] WERE RETURNING TO WASHINGTON D. C., FOUR ELEVEN SIXTYONE. MIAMI NEWS, LATE EDITION, TODAY, IN ARTICLE ENTITLED ~~QUOTE~~ "MASFERRER SAYS HE-S BROKE- BOND REDUCED" ~~UNQUOTE~~ STATES AMONG OTHER THINGS THAT ~~QUOTE~~ "JUDGE CHOATE WAS CRITICAL OF THE WHOLE AFFAIR. MISS EDITH HOUSE, ASSISTANT USA, TOLD THE JUDGE THAT MASFERRER WAS PICKED UP SATURDAY /BY INS/ BECAUSE SECRETARY OF STATE DEAN RUSK SAID HE THOUGHT THE ONE TIME CUBAN SENATOR WAS DANGEROUS. I AM NOT TOO MUCH IMPRESSED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATES REQUEST, SAID JUDGE CHOATE. WE SHOULD LOOK A LITTLE MORE CLOSELY TO THE LAW." ~~UNQUOTE~~, [REDACTED]

UNQUOTE.

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1 - Mr. Simpson

Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

April 12, 1961

Director, FBI

BOLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my memorandum dated
April 11, 1961.

On April 11, 1961, Assistant United States Attorney Edith House, Miami, Florida, advised she had been served with a notice of motion to set bail by Monroe Gelb, subject's attorney. The United States District Judge Emmett Choate, United States District Court, Southern District of Florida, set bail for \$1,000 with conditions that Masferrer cannot leave Dade County without the written permission of the Court and that Masferrer is not to engage in any counterrevolutionary activity against the Cuban Government. Assistant United States Attorney House further related she had objected to the order prohibiting Masferrer's departure from Dade County and Judge Choate answered he was thoroughly familiar with the Masferrer case and knew that Masferrer would not run away. Judge Choate allegedly stated that the Immigration and Naturalization Service had no right to hold Masferrer and that he had ruled against the Immigration and Naturalization Service previously and would probably do so again. Miss House advised that Attorney Gelb had informed her on April 11, 1961, he had made arrangements to appear before Judge Choate on the afternoon of April 12, 1961. It was her opinion that Judge Choate may possibly remove Masferrer from the custody of Immigration and Naturalization Service on April 12, 1961. She further related that a bench warrant had been issued and a detainer against Masferrer placed with the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Miami. She also stated that Attorney Gelb had rescinded a letter to the Immigration and Naturalization Service which had requested that Service to continue Masferrer on parole on the condition that he take up residence in the Washington-Baltimore Area.

The "Miami News," Miami, Florida, on April 11, 1961, contained an article which among other things indicated that Judge Choate was critical of the action taken against Masferrer. According to the article, Miss House had told the Judge that Masferrer had been

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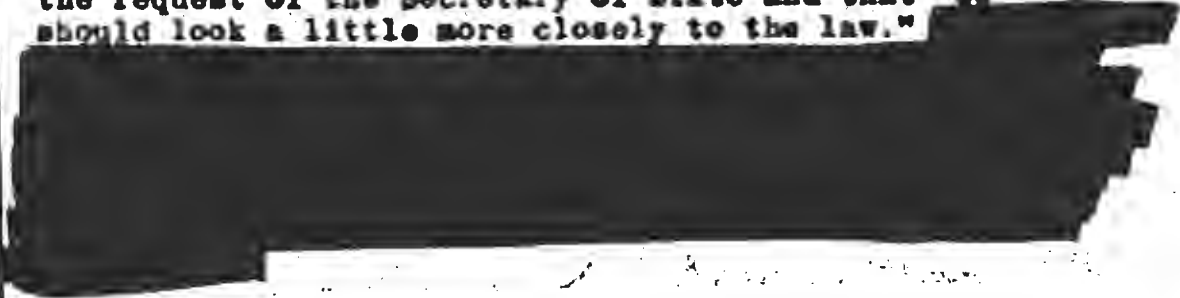
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J. Walter Yeagley

picked up on April 8, 1961, by the Immigration and Naturalization Service because the Secretary of State indicated he thought Masferrer was dangerous. Judge Choate was quoted as stating he was not impressed with the request of the Secretary of State and that "we should look a little more closely to the law."



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As additional information is received concerning this matter, you will be advised.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /2-1622/

FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/

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○ NEUTRALITY MATTER

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS. NM. RMYTEL FOUR TWELVE SIXTYONE.
ON FOUR TWELVE SIXTYONE, PM, AN ANONYMOUS LATIN MALE TELEPHONICALLY
CONTACTED MIAMI OFFICE AND STATED ~~QUOTE~~ "I CAN'T GIVE YOU
MY NAME, THAT-S IMPOSSIBLE, BUT I WANT YOU TO KNOW ~~SOME~~ SOME CUBANS
ARE GOING TO GET MASFERRER OUT OF THE COUNTRY" ~~QUOTE~~. ANONYMOUS.
CALLER RESPONDED HE DID NOT KNOW WHEN, OR WHERE AND THEN TERMINATED
CALL. IMMEDIATELY INS, MIAMI, WAS NOTIFIED SINCE MASFERRER
UNDER INS CUSTODY AT JACKSON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, MIAMI. ONE FOUR
THIRTEEN SIXTYONE, JOSEPH MINTON, ASSISTANT DISTRICT DIRECTOR, INS,
MIAMI, ADVISED THE USA, MIAMI PLANNED TO REQUEST PERMISSION OF USDC,
EMETT C. CHOATE, USDC, SDF, TO REMOVE SUBJECT TO DETENTION
QUARTERS OF US BORDER PATROL, MIAMI FOR ADDITIONAL SECURITY OF
MASFERRER. MINTON ADVISED MEDICAL REPORT ON MASFERRER BY US PUBLIC
HEALTH WILL BE AVAILABLE FOUR FOURTEEN SIXTYONE. ~~BUREAU WILL BE~~
KEPT ADVISED.

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cc. Belmont

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

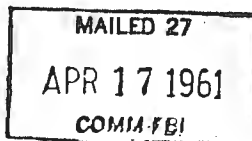
Reference is made to my memorandum dated
April 12, 1961.

Our Miami, Florida, Office has advised that
on April 12, 1961, an anonymous Latin male telephonically
contacted that office and advised: "I can't give you
my name, that's impossible, but I want you to know
some Cubans are going to get Masferrer out of the country."
The anonymous caller advised he did not know when or
where Masferrer would allegedly leave the country and he
then terminated the call.

Inasmuch as Masferrer continues to be in the
custody of the Immigration and Naturalization Service
at Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, Florida, that
Service in Miami, Florida, was immediately notified.
Mr. Joseph Minton, Assistant District Director of the
Immigration and Naturalization Service, advised the
United States Attorney in Miami planned to request
permission of United States District Judge Emmett C.
Choate, United States District Court, Southern District
of Florida, to move Masferrer to the detention quarters
of the United States Border Patrol, Miami, Florida, for
additional security.

As additional information is received con-
cerning this matter, you will be advised.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /2-1622/

FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/ I P

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NM. RMYTEL APRIL FOURTEEN
LAST. ON APRIL SEVENTEEN INSTANT, MONROE GELB, SUBJECT-S
ATTORNEY, ADVISED SAS THAT APPARENTLY E. COLEMAN MADSEN,
USA, MIAMI, HAD MISUNDERSTOOD HIM RE ALLEGED INTERVIEW OF SUBJECT
BY CIA AND FBI REPRESENTATIVES. GELB TELEPHONED USA MADSEN
IN PRESENCE OF SAS AND APOLOGETICALLY STATED HE HAD MEANT
TO SAY THAT MASFERRER HAD, FOR PAST TWO YEARS, BEEN
COOPERATING WITH FBI, CIA AND OTHER GOVT. AGENCIES. GELB
ACKNOWLEDGED THAT SAS HAD NOT BEEN IN CONTACT WITH MASFERRER
SINCE PLACED UNDER CUSTODY OF INS. FURTHER, GELB INDICATED
NO UNAUTHORIZED INDIVIDUALS HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH SUBJECT
SINCE HIS ARREST BY INS. NO FURTHER ACTION BEING TAKEN THIS
MATTER.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /2-1622/

FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/ 1 P

ROLANDO ^{U.S. ATTORNEY}ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NM. REMYTEL 4-14-61.

E. COLEMAN MADSEN, USA, MIAMI TODAY ADVISED THAT MASFERRER-S ATTORNEY
MONROE GELB INDICATED TO HIM THAT SUBJECT, SINCE PLACED UNDER DETENTION

BY INS, ^{MIAMI}MM, HAD BEEN GRILLED FOR TWO DAYS BY AN AGENT OF CIA AND

A SPECIAL AGENT OF THE FBI, APPARENTLY FOR PURPOSE OF INDICATING

THAT SUBJECT HAD BEEN COOPERATIVE WITH US GOVERNMENT. USA MADSEN

ASCERTAINED FROM DISTRICT DIRECTOR EDWARD P. AHRENS, INS, MM, THAT

SUBJECT HAS BEEN AND CONTINUES TO BE UNDER TWENTY-FOUR GUARD OF INS.

FURTHER, SUBJECT HAS NOT BEEN IN CONTACT WITH ANYONE OUTSIDE OF HIS
WIFE, SON, ATTORNEY AND PHYSICIAN AND HAS NOT BEEN CONTACTED BY SA. ^{SPECIAL AGENT}

GELB WILL BE INTERVIEWED CONCERNING HIS STATEMENT ABOVE, MADE

WITHOUT FOUNDATION, UACB, MONDAY, 4-17-61. ^{UNLESS ADVISED TO CONTRARY BY BUREAU}

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URGENT 4-14-61 4-17 PM
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /2-1622/
FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NM. RMYTEL FOUR THIRTEEN SIXTYONE.
ON FOUR FOURTEEN SIXTYONE, EDWARD P. AHRENS, DISTRICT DIRECTOR, INS,
MM, ADVISED SUBJECT HAS UNDERGONE EXTENSIVE MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS WHILE
IN CUSTODY OF INS, JACKSON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, MIAMI. EXAMINATIONS
DISCLOSE AN APPARENT PREVIOUS CORONARY DISEASE, HOWEVER, NO
SIGNIFICANT ABNORMALITY WAS NOTED ON FOUR ELEVEN SIXTYONE.
MEDICAL RECOMMENDATION WAS THAT IT WOULD BE PERMISSIBLE TO TRANSFER
SUBJECT BY AIR OR SURFACE, AND NO INDICATION HIS BEING KEPT IN AN
INSTITUTION FOR A PERIOD OF TIME WOULD HAVE ANY DELETERIOUS EFFECT
ON HIM, PROVIDING HE IS NOT REQUIRED TO DO HEAVY LABOR. AHRENS STATED
SUBJECT TRANSFERRED TO IMMIGRATION BORDER PATROL HEADQUARTERS,
THIRTIETH STREET AND BISCAYNE BAY, MIAMI, THIS MORNING AND CONTINUES
TO BE UNDER TWENTY-FOUR HOUR GUARD, WITH PERMISSION TO SEE HIS WIFE,
SON, PHYSICIAN, AND ATTORNEY, ONLY, AUTHORIZED BY USDJ EMMET C.
CHOATE, USDC, SDF. USDJ POSTPONED HEARING ORIGINALLY SET FOR MONDAY,
FOUR SEVENTEEN SIXTYONE TO THURSDAY, FOUR TWENTY SIXTYONE. AHRENS
ALSO ADVISED SUBJECT-S ATTORNEY, MONROE GELB, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED
MASFERRER DESIRES TO MOVE TO WASHINGTON - BALTIMORE AREA UNDER PAROLE
OF INS, IF ALL OTHER ACTIONS BE DROPPED. AHRENS STATED NO ACTION
CONTEMPLATED TO REMOVE MASFERRER FROM INS CUSTODY. BUREAU WILL BE
KEPT ADVISED.

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Let to AAG Yeagley
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Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

1 - Mr. Simpson

April 18, 1961

Director, FBI

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my memorandum dated
April 17, 1961.

On April 14, 1961, Mr. Edward P. Ahrens,
District Director of the Immigration and Naturalization
Service (INS), Miami, Florida, advised that Masferrer
had undergone extensive medical examinations while
being held in custody and these examinations disclosed
an apparent previous coronary disease; however, no
significant abnormality was noted during the examination
on April 11, 1961. The recommendation of the medical
doctor was that it would be permissible to transfer
Masferrer by air or surface transportation and there
is no indication that his confinement in an institution
for a period of time would have any deleterious effect
on him provided he would not be required to perform
heavy labor. Mr. Ahrens further stated that Masferrer
was transferred to the headquarters of INS and the
United States Border Patrol at 30th Street and Biscayne
Bay, Miami, Florida, on the morning of April 14, 1961,
and continues to be under 24-hour guard. He has permission
to see only his wife, his son, his physician and his
attorney as authorized by United States District Judge
Huggett C. Choate, United States District Court, Southern
District of Florida.

The United States District Judge postponed
the hearing which was originally set for Monday, April 17,
1961, to Thursday, April 20, 1961. Mr. Ahrens has also
advised that subject's attorney, Monroe Gelb, telephonically
advised him that Masferrer desires to move to the
Washington-Baltimore area under the parole of INS if
all other actions are dropped. Mr. Ahrens stated,
however, that no action is contemplated to release
Masferrer from custody of his Service.

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Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

On April 14, 1961, United States Attorney E. Coleman Madsen, Miami, Florida, advised that Masferrer's attorney indicated to him that Masferrer, since being placed under detention by INS, had been "grilled" for two days by an agent of Central Intelligence Agency and a Special Agent of the FBI apparently for the purpose of indicating that Masferrer had been cooperative with the United States Government. Mr. Madsen ascertained from Mr. Ahrens of INS that Masferrer has been and continues to be under 24-hour guard of the INS. Further, he ascertained that Masferrer has not been in contact with anyone except his wife, his son, his attorney and his physician. He has not been interviewed by Special Agents of this Bureau.

Attorney Monroe Gelb was interviewed by Agents of our Miami Office on April 17, 1961, concerning his allegation that Masferrer had been interviewed by Agents of this Bureau and the Central Intelligence Agency. He advised that Mr. Madsen had apparently misunderstood him, and in the presence of Agents of this Bureau, telephonically contacted Mr. Madsen and apologetically stated he had meant to say Masferrer had for the past two years been cooperative with the FBI, Central Intelligence Agency and other Government agencies. Mr. Gelb acknowledged that Agents of this Bureau had not been in contact with Masferrer since he was taken into custody by the INS and, in fact, no unauthorized persons had been in contact with Masferrer since his arrest by that Service.

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From: Director, FBI (2-1622)

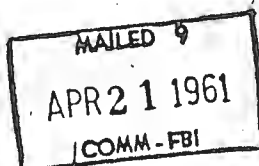
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NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reurtel April 20, 1961, in which you advised that U. S. Attorney E. Coleman Madsen had presented to the court a motion to dismiss, or in the alternative, a motion for some rejudgment concerning a complaint against Edward P. Ahrens, District Director, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Miami, Florida, and had also filed a motion in opposition to Masferrer's application for a temporary injunction.

The motions filed are not clear. No information can be located in prior communications concerning the complaint against Ahrens and the reasons for these motions are not apparent. You are requested to immediately furnish additional details concerning these motions.

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Date: April 24, 1961
To: Office of Security
Department of State
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

On April 9, 1961, Masferrer was served with a written notice revoking his immigration parole and was taken into custody by the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Miami, Florida. On April 10, 1961, a Federal grand jury at Miami, Florida, returned a true bill of indictment charging Masferrer with conspiracy to violate Section 960, Title 18, United States Code, in connection with the military expedition from the United States against Cuba on October 4, 1960, which was organized by Masferrer.

The "Miami News," Miami, Florida, on April 11, 1961, contained an article which, among other things, indicated that Judge Emmett C. Choate, United States District Court, Southern District of Florida, Miami, Florida, was critical of the action taken against Masferrer. According to the article, the Assistant United States Attorney had advised the Judge that Masferrer had been arrested by the Immigration and Naturalization Service because the Secretary of State indicated he thought Masferrer was dangerous. Judge Choate was quoted as stating he was not impressed with the request of the Secretary of State and that "we should look a little more closely to the law."

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Judge Choate originally set Masferrer's hearing for April 17, 1961, and then continued the hearing to April 20, 1961. On April 20, 1961, Judge Choate again continued the hearing until April 25, 1961, at which time he ordered that subject be brought to the Court since he, Judge Choate, desired to take some testimony. Judge Choate noted "due process of the law is not served by the whims of an individual, including the Secretary of State and the President of the United States."

As additional information is received concerning this matter, you will be advised,

1 - Director of Naval Intelligence

1 - Director of Special Investigations
Air Force

Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division

1 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army

Attention: Chief, Security Division

1 - Deputy Commissioner, Investigations
Bureau of Customs

1 - The Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service

1 - Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

1 - Director
Central Intelligence Agency

Attention: Deputy Director, Plans

Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 4-20-61

Masferrer is currently under indictment for alleged violation of the neutrality statutes. Masferrer has been hospitalized with a heart condition but has been pronounced physically fit to stand trial.

This information will be disseminated to State Department, Central Intelligence Agency, the Internal Security Division of the Department, and the military intelligence agencies.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /2-1622/

FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/ I P

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS. NEUTRALITY MATTER. REMYTEL APRIL SEVENTEEN, LAST. ON APRIL TWENTY, INSTANT, U. S. DISTRICT JUDGE EMMETT C. CHOATE, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLA., CONTINUED HEARING REGARDING TEMPORARY INJUNCTION UNTIL APRIL TWENTY FIVE, NEXT. JUDGE CHOATE STATED QUOTE "THESE ARE ABNORMAL TIMES AND IN VIEW OF TODAY'S CONDITIONS IN CUBA" UNQUOTE HEARING CONTINUED UNTIL APRIL TWENTY FIVE, NEXT, AT WHICH TIME HE ORDERED THAT SUBJECT BE BROUGHT TO THE COURT AND HE DESIRED TO TAKE SOME TESTIMONY. JUDGE CHOATE NOTED THAT QUOTE "DUE PROCESS OF THE LAW IS NOT SERVED BY THE WHIMS OF AN INDIVIDUAL, INCLUDING SECRETARY OF STATE, AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES" UNQUOTE. BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED. U.S. ATTORNEY E. COLEMAN MADSEN PRESENTED MOTION TO DISMISS OR, IN THE ALTERNATE, MOTION FOR SOME REJUDGMENT CONCERNING COMPLAINT AGAINST EDWARD P. AHRENS. DISTRICT DIRECTOR, INS, MIAMI, AND ALSO FILED MOTION IN OPPOSITION TO MASFERRER'S APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY INJUNCTION.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /100-344127/

FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/ I P

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS. ~~REGISTRATION ACT~~ ~~INTERNAL SECURITY-CUBA~~ RA CUBA. IS CUBA. N. M. REMYTEL

APR ELEVEN LAST. U.S. DIST. JUDGE USDJ EMMETT C. CHOATE, USDC, SDF, MIAMI, TODAY

POSTPONED HEARING RE TEMPORARY INJUNCTION UNTIL MON., APR. SEVENTEEN

NEXT . . . AT EARLIEST, WITH ~~CONDITION~~ INS NOT REMOVE MASFERRER FROM
JACKSON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL. BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED

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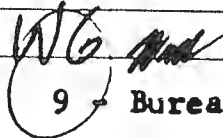
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Will continue to follow and report results of possible prosecution.

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Close liaison has been maintained on a current basis with all interested U. S. agencies.

In accordance with Bureau letter to Assistant Attorney General J. WALTER YEAGLEY, 12/30/60, no active investigation has been conducted in this matter except that expressly requested by the Department.

Bureau teletype, 4/6/61, advised that Departmental Attorney was proceeding to Miami to present this case to a Federal Grand Jury on April 10, 1961. Department requested availability and current address of possible witnesses

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(b)(1) On April 7, 1961, Assistant U. S. Attorney LLOYD G. BATES advised Departmental Attorney [REDACTED] Internal Security Section, telephonically suggested arrangements be made to have the FBI serve subpoenas to witnesses.

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On April 8, 1961, JOSEPH MINTON, Acting District Director, INS, Miami, furnished copy of a letter from U. S. Secretary of State to the Attorney General, which stated in part, "The continued presence at large of MASFERRER in the United States and particularly in the State of Florida, is prejudicial

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"to our national interest from the point of view of our foreign relations. Any action which the INS can take within the law administered by the Department of Justice to revoke this alien's parole, deporting him, or restricting his presence at large, would accordingly advance our foreign policy objectives".

MINTON also advised MASFERRER had been under surveillance by INS, Miami, since the evening of April 7, 1961, and on April 8, 1961 had been informed verbally his parole was revoked and he was taken into detention by INS.

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On April 9, 1961, SA [REDACTED] served subpoenas on [REDACTED] in accordance with request of Departmental Attorney [REDACTED] pursuant to Bureau instructions and authorization.

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On April 10, 1961, [REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED] appeared before a Special Federal Grand Jury, U. S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, Miami.

On April 10, 1961, EDWARD P. AHRENS, District Director, INS, advised that no immediate action would be taken concerning MASFERRER's request to be continued on parole on condition he leave the Miami area for residence in the Washington-Baltimore area. AHRENS

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stated that all future action undertaken by his office concerning MASFERRER would be made only on strict orders from his headquarters in Washington, D. C.

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On April 11, 1961, Assistant U. S. Attorney EDITH M. HOUSE advised that she objected to conditions ordered by U. S. District Judge EMMETT C. CHOATE, Southern District of Florida, prohibiting ROLANDO MASFERRER to leave Dade County without written permission from the Court. She explained she did this because she believed that the Attorney General and the Immigration authorities wanted to move MASFERRER from the Miami area. She related that Judge CHOATE responded to her objection that he was thoroughly familiar with MASFERRER's case and knew that he would not try to run away. Further, Judge CHOATE stated that INS had no right to hold the subject, he had ruled against INS before, and would probably do so again.

On April 11, 1961, the "Miami News", late edition, contained an article entitled "Masferrer Says He's Broke - Bond Reduced". This article reflected among other things that "Judge CHOATE was critical of the whole affair. Miss EDITH HOUSE, AUSA, told the Judge that MASFERRER was picked up Saturday (by INS) because Secretary of State DEAN RUSK thought the one-time Cuban senator was dangerous. 'I am not too much impressed with the Secretary of State's request', said Judge CHOATE. 'We should look a little more closer to the law'."

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On April 13, 1961, JOSEPH MINTON, Assistant District Director, INS, Miami, advised that U. S. Attorney E. COLEMAN MADSEN, Miami, planned to request permission of Judge CHOATE to remove subject from Jackson Memorial Hospital to Detention Quarters of U. S. Border Patrol for additional security of MASFERRER.

On April 14, 1961, USA MADSEN, Miami, advised that MASFERRER's attorney, MONROE GELB, indicated to him that subject since placed under detention by INS, Miami, had been grilled for two days by an agent of CIA and an agent of FBI, apparently for the purpose of indicating that subject had been cooperative with the U. S. Government.

On April 14, 1961, USA MADSEN ascertained from District Director AHRENS, INS, Miami, that subject continued to be under 24-hour guard of INS, and had not been in contact with anyone, outside of his wife, son, attorney, and physician, and had not been contacted by agents of the FBI.

(b7c) | On April 17, 1961, MONROE GELB was contacted by SAS [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] at which time he stated that apparently USA MADSEN had misunderstood him regarding alleged interview of subject by CIA and FBI representatives. GELB telephoned USA MADSEN in the presence of SAS [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and apologetically stated he had meant to say MASFERRER

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had for the past two years, since his arrival in the United States on January 1, 1959, been cooperating with the FBI, CIA, and other U. S. Government agencies. GELB acknowledged that representatives of the FBI had not been in contact with MASFERRER since he had been placed in custody of INS. Further, GELB indicated that no unauthorized individuals had been in contact with the subject since his arrest by INS.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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NEUTRALITY MATTER

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On 4/10/61, MASFERRER requested his parole be continued with condition he would leave Miami area for residence in Washington-Baltimore area. On 4/10/61, Special Federal Grand Jury, U. S. District Court, Southern District of Fla., returned true bill charging subject with conspiracy to violate Section 960, Title 18, U. S. Code, in that he did conspire to begin and set on foot and to provide and prepare means for and furnish money for and take part in the military expedition from within the U.S. against the Republic of Cuba with which the U. S. was as of that date at peace. The indictment also charged as co-conspirators but not defendants, ARMENTINO PERIA PEREZ, aka "El Indio"; JULIO FERNANDEZ TREVEJO; ANSELMO ALIEGRO; FRANKLIN JOSEPH WILLIAMS; HORACIO CANIZARES; SANTIAGO ALVAREZ, and (FNU) CARTAYA. On 4/11/61, U. S. District Court, SDF, set bail at \$1,000.00 with condition MASFERRER could not leave Dade County

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without written permission of the court and is not to engage in counterrevolutionary activities against the Cuban Government. On 4/11/61, bench warrant issued and detainer placed with INS, Miami. Also, MASFERRER rescinded his desire to move to another area. On 4/12/61, complaint against EDWARD P. AHRENS, District Director, INS, Miami, filed in U. S. District Court, SDF, asking for temporary injunction restraining INS from deporting or molesting MASFERRER, pending the final determination of MASFERRER's parole status. On 4/14/61, MASFERRER transferred to Immigration Border Patrol Headquarters, Miami, where he continues to be under 24-hour guard. On 4/14/61, medical examinations under direction U. S. Public Health disclosed an apparent previous coronary disease; however, no significant abnormality noted.

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DETAILS:

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On April 10, 1961, a Special Federal Grand Jury, U. S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, Miami, returned a true bill of indictment charging MASFERRER with conspiracy to violate Section 960, Title 18, U. S. Code, in that he unlawfully, wilfully, and knowingly did conspire to begin and set on foot and to

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provide and prepare the means for and to furnish money for and to take part in a military expedition, an enterprise to be carried on from within the United States against the Republic of Cuba, a foreign state with which the United States at all times mentioned has been and is as of this date at peace.

The indictment also charged as co-conspirators, but not defendants, ARMENTINO FERIA PEREZ, also known as "El Indio"; JULIO FERNANDEZ TREVEJO; ANSELMO ALIEGRO; FRANKLIN JOSEPH WILLIAMS; HORACIO CANIZARES; SANTIAGO ALVAREZ; and (first name unknown) CARTAYA.

The following specific overt acts were listed:

"1. In early September of 1960, in the Southern District of Florida, ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, the defendant herein, did solicit and receive from ANSELMO ALIEGRO, a co-conspirator herein, a check for two thousand dollars payable to the said defendant.

"2. In early September of 1960, in the Southern District of Florida, the said defendant herein did endorse said check to JULIO FERNANDEZ TREVEJO, a co-conspirator herein.

"3. In early September of 1960, the said JULIO FERNANDEZ TREVEJO, a co-conspirator herein, did cash the said check at the Metropolitan Bank in Miami, Florida.

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"4. In early September of 1960, the said ARMENTINO FERIA PEREZ and JULIO FERNANDEZ TREVEJO, co-conspirators herein, did purchase four carbines at the Tamiami Gun Shop in Miami, Florida.

"5. In or about August or September of 1960, the said ARMENTINO FERIA PEREZ and JULIO FERNANDEZ TREVEJO, co-conspirators herein, did purchase seven Garand rifles, ten carbines and 12,000 rounds of carbine ammunition at the Flagler Jewelry and Loan Company, Miami, Florida.

"6. On or about September 19, 1960, in the Southern District of Florida, the said defendant herein did meet with the said FRANKLIN JOSEPH WILLIAMS, a co-conspirator herein.

"7. On or about September 20, 1960, in the Southern District of Florida, the said FRANKLIN JOSEPH WILLIAMS, a co-conspirator herein, did receive \$200.00 from the said JULIO FERNANDEZ TREVEJO, a co-conspirator herein.

"8. In or about September of 1960, the said FRANKLIN JOSEPH WILLIAMS, a co-conspirator herein, did move his boat, the 'Sunsport' from Marathon, Florida to Miami, Florida.

"9. In or about September of 1960, in the Southern District of Florida, the said FRANKLIN JOSEPH WILLIAMS, a co-conspirator herein, did load his boat, the said 'Sunsport', with 1100 gallons of gasoline in drums.

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"10. In or about September of 1960, in the Southern District of Florida, the said defendant herein and the said SANTIAGO ALVAREZ, a co-conspirator herein, did obtain the services of a boat mechanic.

"11. In or about September of 1960, the said defendant herein did obtain the use of a boat named the 'Mary Ann' from one SANTIAGO ALVAREZ, the boat captain and owner and a co-conspirator herein.

"12. On or about September 26, 1960, the said FRANKLIN JOSEPH WILLIAMS, HORACIO CANIZARES, SANTIAGO ALVAREZ and CARTAYA, co-conspirators herein, did sail from Miami.

"13. On or about October 4, 1960, the said FRANKLIN JOSEPH WILLIAMS, a co-conspirator herein, did land a group of men on the coast of Cuba."

Bond for MASFERRER was recommended by Assistant U. S. Attorney EDITH HOUSE, Miami, in the amount of \$10,000.00.

On April 11, 1961, AUSA HOUSE advised she was served with notice of motion to set bail by MONROE GELB.

On the same date, U. S. District Judge EMMETT C. CHOATE, U. S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, Miami, set bail of \$1,000.00 with two conditions: 1) MASFERRER cannot leave Dade County

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without written permission of the court, and 2) he is not to engage in counterrevolutionary activities against the Cuban Government.

On April 11, 1961, AUSA HOUSE stated a bench warrant had been issued and detainer placed with INS, Miami, that date. She also advised that Attorney GELB had rescinded his letter to INS authorities indicating MASFERRER's desire to move to the Washington-Baltimore area.

On April 12, 1961, a complaint by MONROE GELB as Attorney for MASFERRER, was served against EDWARD P. AHRENS, District Director, INS, Miami, Civil Action File #10659-M, and filed in U. S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida, Miami Division.

This complaint recognized that MASFERRER was paroled by Immigration authorities and related the history of MASFERRER, reflecting his anti-Communist expressions and actions. Further, the complaint stated that MASFERRER had been a good friend to the United States, and for many years had visited the United States together with his family, and was familiar with United States customs, habits, and form of government. It indicated that since his arrival in Miami more than two years ago, he has reported regularly to INS as directed by them and has done everything within his power to comply with the supervision and control of INS. Also, that MASFERRER has cooperated in all respects with all government agencies, including the furnishing of information to the FBI and

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other government agencies for the purpose of assisting the United States in combatting the infiltration of Communism.

The complaint stated that revocation of parole of MASFERRER was made without notice, without a hearing, and was an arbitrary exercise of the discretion granted to INS; that his request for release from custody had been denied, and that MASFERRER had arbitrarily and unreasonably been taken into custody and held incommunicado, which actions were described as oppressive and harsh, in violation of the fundamental rights of life and liberty.

The complaint also stated that MASFERRER had been deprived of the right of due process and a hearing, and asked that the United States District Court issue an injunction restraining INS from holding MASFERRER in custody, and from deporting or molesting him, pursuant to orders issued by INS.

The complaint also asked that a temporary injunction be issued restraining INS from deporting or molesting MASFERRER, taking him into custody, and holding him incommunicado or in any manner interfering with him, pending the final determination of this action.

Lastly, the complaint asked for a final decree declaring that the action of INS in taking MASFERRER into custody and holding him incommunicado, was in violation of due process, existing laws, and in abuse of discretion.

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On April 12, 1961, Judge CHOATE postponed hearing in this matter until April 17, 1961 at the earliest, with the condition that INS not remove MASFERRER from the Jackson Memorial Hospital.

On April 12, 1961 at 9:10 PM, an anonymous Latin male telephonically contacted the Miami Office of the FBI and stated, "I can't give you my name, that's impossible, but I want you to know - some Cubans are going to get MASFERRER out of the country". The receiver of the telephone call then asked him when and where, to which the caller responded that he did not know, and then terminated the call.

On the same date, Assistant District Director MINTON, INS, Miami, was telephonically advised of the foregoing telephone call.

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On April 17, 1961, Judge CHOATE postponed the hearing originally set for April 17, 1961, to April 20, 1961.

On April 10, 1961, [REDACTED] (b)(2)
office of the Recorder of Deeds, Circuit Court Clerk's Office, Dade County, advised SA [REDACTED] that the property at 1900 S. W. 21st Terrace, Miami, was purchased on January 13, 1960 from JOAN ERLINGER by JUAN A. MONTERO and MARGOT MONTERO, same address. The deed was recorded on January 14, 1960 and according to the records, JUAN A. MONTERO and MARGOT MONTERO, are the last known owners of record of this property.

On April 10, 1961, the house located at 1900 S. W. 21st Terrace, Miami, was occupied by the family of ROLANDO MASFERRER.

It has been ascertained that during MASFERRER's residence in the Miami area since January 1, 1959, he has used the following telephone numbers at which he could be reached:

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FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/ 2 P

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NEUTRALITY MATTER. RE MIAMI AIRTEL
APR. TWENTY-FIVE, SIXTY-ONE. EDWARD P. AHRENS DISTRICT DIRECTOR, INS,
MIAMI, ADVISED THIS DATE MASFERRER PERSONALLY APPEARED USDC, BEFORE US
EMETT C. CHOATE, SDF, MIAMI. USDJ CHOATE ENTERED PERMANENT INJUNCTION
AGAINST INS AND INS ENJOINED FROM KEEPING MASFERRER IN DETENTION WHILE
UNDER EXCLUSION PROCEEDINGS. NO TESTIMONY TAKEN TODAY DURING HEARING
SINCE ONLY A QUESTION OF LAW TO BE DECIDED. THIS INJUNCTION TO BECOME
EFFECTIVE TEN AM, MAY ONE, SIXTY ONE. DELAY OF EFFECTIVE DATE MADE IN
ORDER TO ALLOW INS SUFFICIENT TIME TO TAKE MATTER BEFORE CIRCUIT COURT
OF APPEALS. MASFERRER CONTINUES TO BE IN CUSTODY INS AT IMMIGRATION
BORDER PATROL HEADQUARTERS, MIAMI, UNDER TWENTY-FOUR HOUR GUARD. *a*
THE U. S. DISTRICT JUDGE CHOATE STATES THAT IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES
CANNOT HOLD A MAN IN CUSTODY INDEFINITELY UNDER EXCLUSION PROCEEDING
AND DIRECTED PERMANENT INJUNCTION. MASFERRER MAY BE RELEASED ON
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PRESENTLY IN NEW ORLEANS, WHERE CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS IS IN LAST DAY OF SESSION UNTIL MAY FIFTEEN. USA MADSEN WAS IN CONFERENCE WITH CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE JONES IN ANTICIPATION OF FOREGOING AND PLANS TO VISIT CIRCUIT JONES AT JACKSONVILLE, FLA., ON APR. TWENTY-EIGHT, SIXTY ONE. CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE JONES HAS REQUESTED FILE PERTAINING TO MASFERRER INCLUDING TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING THIS DATE BEFORE USDJ CHOATE, AND IT IS BELIEVED HE MAY GRANT THE STAY OF THIS INJUNCTION. FURTHER USDJ CHOATE DENIED QUOTE MOTION TO DISMISS AND MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT UNQUOTE. ON APR. TWENTY-FIVE, SIXTY-ONE, IN CASE OF MASFERRER AGAINST EDWARD P. AHERNS, DISTRICT DIRECTOR, INS, A ~~FILE~~ "RENEWAL OF MOTION TO DISMISS AND MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT" ~~UNQUOTE~~, ~~QUOTE~~ MEMORANDUM OF AUTHORITIES IN SUPPORT OF INS MOTIONS FOR DISMISSAL FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT AND IN OPPOSITION TO GRANTING OF TEMPORARY INJUNCTION ~~UNQUOTE~~, AND ~~QUOTE~~ "ANSWER" ~~UNQUOTE~~, FILED USDC, SDF, APR. TWENTY-FIVE, SIXTY-ONE. COPIES OF THESE MOTIONS WILL BE FORWARDED TO BUREAU AND BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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Date: May 1, 1961

To: Office of Security
Department of State

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my letter dated April 24, 1961.

Mr. Edward P. Ahrens, District Director, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Miami, Florida, advised on April 27, 1961, that Masferrer had on that date appeared before United States District Judge Emmett C. Choate, United States District Court, Southern District of Florida, Miami, Florida. Since only a question of law was to be decided, no testimony was taken. Judge Choate stated that INS could not hold an individual in custody indefinitely under exclusion proceedings and entered a permanent injunction enjoining INS from holding Masferrer in detention while under exclusion orders of that Service. This injunction is effective at 10 a.m., May 1, 1961, and the delay in the effective date of the injunction was to allow sufficient time for INS to present the case to the Circuit Court of Appeals.

Mr. Ahrens further advised that Masferrer continues to be held in the custody of INS under 24-hour guard but may be released on parole on May 1, 1961.

United States Attorney E. Coleman Hadsen, Southern District of Florida, Miami, Florida, was in New Orleans, Louisiana, on April 27, 1961, where the Circuit Court of Appeals was in session and planned to visit one of the Circuit Judges in Jacksonville, Florida, on April 28, 1961. This Judge has requested the file pertaining to Masferrer including the transcript of the hearing before Judge Choate on April 27, 1961, and it is possible that this Judge may grant a stay of the injunction ordered by Judge Choate.

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Department of the Army
Attention: Chief, Security Division**
- 1 - The Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service**
- 1 - Deputy Commissioner, Investigations
Bureau of Customs**
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley**

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Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

May 4, 1961

Director, FBI

File
ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

There is enclosed for your information one
Photostat each of the following documents:

1. "Motion to Dismiss, or in the alternative,
Motion for Summary Judgment" filed by United States Attorney
E. Coleman Madsen.

2. An affidavit filed by Mr. Edward P. Ahrens,
District Director, Immigration and Naturalization Service,
Miami, Florida, with the United States District Court,
Southern District of Florida, Miami Division, with its
enclosures consisting of a letter from the Secretary of
State to the Attorney General dated April 7, 1961, and
a copy of a letter dated April 8, 1961, from Mr. Joseph
Minton, Acting District Director, Immigration and
Naturalization Service, Miami, Florida, to Masferrer.

3. A copy of the "Motion in Opposition to
Plaintiff's Application for a Temporary Injunction" filed
by United States Attorney Madsen in this case.

4. A copy of the complaint filed by Mr. Edgar
Gelb, Attorney for Masferrer, against Mr. Edward P. Ahrens,
District Director, Immigration and Naturalization Service,
Miami, Florida.

5. A copy of a letter dated April 13, 1961,
from Dr. Solomon Kann to Mr. Edward P. Ahrens, District
Director, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Miami,
Florida, regarding the results of the physical examinations
afforded Masferrer.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NM. RE MIAMI TEL APRIL TWENTYSEVEN, SIXTYONE. EDWARD P. AHRENS, DISTRICT DIRECTOR, INS, MIAMI, ADVISED TODAY CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE JONES REFUSED ORDER OF STAY IN INSTANT CASE AND SET HEARING BEFORE FULL CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS AT NEW ORLEANS FOR MAY SIXTEEN, SIXTYONE. DISTRICT DIRECTOR AHRENS ADVISED MASFERRER WILL BE RELEASED TEN AM MAY ONE, SIXTYONE UNLESS USA-S OFFICE OR INS ABLE TO PRESENT NEW ENDEAVOR TO HAVE STAY CONTINUED.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NM. REMYTEL FOUR TWENTYEIGHT

SIXTYONE. ON FIVE ONE SIXTYONE, EDWARD P. AHRENS, DISTRICT

DIRECTOR, INS, MIAMI, ADVISED SUBJECT WAS RELEASED TEN AM, TODAY

ON ORDER OF ^{V.S. DIST. JUDGE} USDJ EMETT C. CHOATE, ^{U.S. DIST. COURT SOUTHERN DIST. OF FLA} USDC, SDF. AHRENS STATED THE

INS MATTER WOULD BE PRESENTED BEFORE THE CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS
AT NEW ORLEANS ON FIVE SIXTEEN SIXTYONE. [REDACTED] (b7c)

[REDACTED] USDC, SDF, ADVISED SUBJECT ARRESTED ON BENCH WARRANT

FOR VIOLATION OF NM, IMMEDIATELY UPON RELEASE BY INS. SUBJECT

RELEASED THEREAFTER ON ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS BOND ON NM CHARGE.

BOND FURNISHED BY JOE HAMMER, PROFESSIONAL BONDSMAN, MIAMI. REPORT
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1 - Mr. Gurley

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Date: May 4, 1961
To: Office of Security
Department of State
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my letter dated May 1, 1961.

On April 28, 1961, Mr. Edward P. Ahrens, District Director, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Miami, Florida, advised that a Circuit Court Judge had refused an order to stay the injunction previously issued and had set hearings before the Circuit Court of Appeals at New Orleans, Louisiana, for May 16, 1961. Mr. Ahrens advised that Masferrer would be released at 10 a.m., May 1, 1961.

On May 1, 1961, Mr. Ahrens advised that Masferrer was released from custody on May 1, 1961, on the order of United States District Judge Emmett C. Choate, United States District Court, Southern District of Florida, Miami, Florida.

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United States District Court, Southern District of Florida, Miami, Florida, advised that Masferrer was arrested on a bench warrant for violation of neutrality statutes immediately upon his release by Immigration and Naturalization Service. Masferrer was released, thereafter, on \$1,000 bond on the neutrality statutes charge, which bond was furnished by a professional headman in Miami.

As additional information is received concerning this matter, you will be advised.

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Enclosed herewith is a copy of a Photostat of "Motion to Dismiss, or in the Alternative, Motion for Summary Judgment" filed by E. COLEMAN MADSEN, USA, with DOUGLAS P. LILLIS, Regional Counsel, INS, Richmond, Virginia, currently in Miami for the purpose of handling this matter.

Also enclosed herewith is an affidavit filed by EDWARD P. AHRENS, District Director, INS, Miami, Civil Action #10659-M, U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, Miami Division. Attached to the affidavit are copies of letter from DEAN RUSK, Secretary of State, to the Attorney General, dated April 7, 1961, and copy of a letter dated April 8, 1961, from JOSEPH MINTON, Acting District Director, INS, Miami, to ROLANDO MASFERRER Y ROJAS.

Also enclosed herewith is a copy of the Motion in opposition to Plaintiff's Application for a Temporary Injunction, filed by USA MADSEN on the same matter.

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Also enclosed herewith is a copy of the complaint filed by MONROE GELB, Attorney for ROLANDO MASFERRER, against EDWARD P. AHRENS, District Director, INS.

For the completion of the Bureau's files, enclosed herewith is a copy of a Photostat of a letter dated April 13, 1961, from SOLOMON KANN, M.D., to the District Director AHRENS, INS, Miami, regarding results of extensive physical examinations concerning MASFERRER.

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT
OF FLORIDA

NO.

BOLANDO HASPERREN ROJAS,

Plaintiff,

vs.

EDWARD P. ARRENS, DISTRICT
DIRECTOR, IMMIGRATION AND
NATURALIZATION SERVICE,
Miami, Florida.

ORDER OF HEARING

Noted.

TO: EDWARD P. ARRENS,
District Director,
Immigration & Naturalization
Service,
3915 Biscayne Boulevard
Miami, Florida

E. COLMAN MOSEN
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY
Federal Building
Miami, Florida

comparative information in the above styled cause is set out
for hearing before the Honorable E. J. [Name]
Wednesday, the 12th day of April, 1961, at 10:00 P. M. or as
soon thereafter as same can be heard.

FOR THE
Attorney for Plaintiff

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF
FLORIDA MIAMI DIVISION

NO. 10,659-M

MOLANDO BASFERRER ROJAS,)

Plaintiff,)

vs.)

EDWARD P. AHRENS, DISTRICT)
DIRECTOR, IMMIGRATION AND)
NATURALIZATION SERVICE,)
Miami, Florida.)

Defendant.)

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO: EDWARD P. AHRENS,
District Director,
Immigration & Naturalization
Service,
3915 Biscayne Boulevard
Miami, Florida

E. COLEMAN MADSEN,
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY
Federal Building
Miami, Florida

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that plaintiff's petition for
temporary injunction in the above styled cause is set down
for hearing before the Honorable HENRY C. CHOATE, on
Wednesday, the 12th day of April, 1961, at 1:45 P. M., or
soon thereafter as same can be heard.

MONROE GELB
Attorney for Plaintiff

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April 8, 1961

Mr. Rolando Masferrer y Rojas
1900 S. W. 21st Terrace
Miami, Florida

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that the parole which was granted to you into the United States pursuant to Section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, dated February 6, 1961, is hereby revoked in conformity with paragraph 1 thereof which stated that the privilege was subject to revocation without prior notice.

This letter also confirms the information extended to you orally by an officer of this Service at your home on April 8, 1961, that your parole was revoked and you were being taken into detention.

Very truly yours,

Joseph Minton
Acting District Director

I hereby acknowledge receipt of the above letter.

8th April 1961
(Date)

S/ Rolando Masferrer y Rojas
Rolando Masferrer y Rojas

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Mr. Edward P. Abrego

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to be transferred either by air or by rail to the
installation. There is no indication from any of the
above tests that his being kept in an institution for a
period of time would have any deleterious effect on him,
providing, of course, that he is not required to do heavy
labor. I do not contemplate that any difficulty would
arise under the arrangement which has been outlined to me.

If there is any further information you would desire, do
not hesitate to contact me.

Very sincerely yours,

Solomon Mann, M. D.

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SOLOMON KATZ, M.D. & ARTHUR L. KAUFMAN, M.D.

Cardiologists

1000 West 15th Avenue, Suite 100, Miami, Florida 33135

April 13, 1961

Mr. Edward F. Chrons
District Director
Immigration and Naturalization Service
3915 Biscayne Boulevard
Miami, Florida

Dear Mr. Chrons:

I have had Mr. Masferrer under my care since April 8, 1961. He has been studied extensively at Jackson Memorial Hospital and as a result of my evaluation, it is possible for me to make the following statements. He has had chest pain intermittently for the past year and supposedly was put to bed approximately one year ago because of coronary disease.

On the first day of his hospitalization an electrocardiogram was taken which revealed a normal rhythm. During his hospitalization, two subsequent electrocardiograms showed a reversal of these changes to normal and there was no significant abnormality noted on the last tracing taken on April 11, 1961. X-rays of the gall bladder and upper intestinal tract were within normal limits. Further blood chemistries were carried out which showed no evidence of kidney disease, diabetes, or other disturbance of body metabolism with the exception of slight elevation of the blood cholesterol. The significance of this latter finding is open to question.

In conclusion, it is my recommendation based upon the above findings that it is permissible for Mr. Masferrer

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
MIAMI DIVISION

CIVIL ACTION NO. 72-669-M

ROLANDO MISPENDE ROJAS,

Plaintiff,

vs.

EDWARD F. ARRENS, DISTRICT
DIRECTOR, IMMIGRATION AND
NATURALIZATION SERVICE,
Miami, Florida,

Defendant.

Plaintiff, ROLANDO MISPENDE ROJAS, complains
of the defendant, EDWARD F. ARRENS, District Director,
Immigration & Naturalization Service, Miami, Florida, alleged:

1. The jurisdiction of this Court arises under
the Declaratory Judgment Act, (28 U.S.C. 2201 and 2202),
of the Administrative Procedure Act, (5 U.S.C. 1009).
2. The defendant is the District Director of
Immigration and Naturalization at Miami, Florida, and is
authorized to, and does, act in the name and stead of the
Honorable Robert Kennedy, Attorney General of the United
States, in the administration and enforcement in this district
of the provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act of
1952 and the Regulations made pursuant thereto, and maintains
his principal office at Miami, Dade County, Florida.
3. The plaintiff is a native and national of
Cuba, and arrived in the United States at Fort Worth, Florida
from Cuba, on January 1, 1957, as an applicant for admission
to the United States.
4. That the plaintiff was carried under the
provisions of Section 212 (d)(8) of the Immigration and

Nationality Act of 1952 until a determination.

3. That the plaintiff fled from Cuba as a political refugee and came to the United States seeking sanctuary.

4. That the plaintiff was born in Holguin, Cuba, on January 12, 1918; that the plaintiff is married to LUCIA MISTRERNA, and that there are two children of said marriage, to-wit: LEONILA, age 16, and ALEXANDER, age 14; that said plaintiff resides, together with his family, at 1800 N. W. 21st Terrace, Miami, Dade County, Florida.

5. That the plaintiff had been active in politics in Cuba; that he was the leader of the Cuban Radical Party in the Cuban Senate and served as Senator until he was forced to flee Cuba.

6. That the plaintiff was the owner and editor of the newspaper known as "EL LIBRO", and has been a well-known outspoken opponent to Communism.

7. That the plaintiff is a leader of the Cuban people in their battle against Communism and Castro.

8. That the plaintiff has been a good friend to the United States and for many years has visited the United States together with his family, and is familiar with our customs, habits and form of government.

9. That the plaintiff has sought sanctuary in the United States because it is a Democratic country and because it gives voice to humane considerations and grants political asylum and recognizes the individual rights of man.

10. That the plaintiff, when he arrived at Key West, Florida, did so openly, and submitted himself at that time to the control of governmental authorities of the United States, including Immigration and Naturalization Service.

// 13. That the plaintiff has resided in the Miami area for more than two years, during which time he has reported regularly to Immigration and Naturalization Service as directed by them, and has done everything within his power to comply with the supervision and control of Immigration and Naturalization Service.

// 14. That the plaintiff has also cooperated in all respects with all governmental agencies, including the giving of information to the F. B. I. and other governmental authorities for the purpose of assisting this country in combatting the infiltration of Communism.

15. That under the provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 and the Regulations promulgated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to said Act, the defendant herein has delegated and presently exercises sole authority to grant or revoke the parole of the plaintiff.

// 16. That on to-wit: the 6th day of April, 1961, the plaintiff was taken into custody by the U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service by reason of the revocation of his parole.

// 17. That the aforesaid revocation of parole was made without notice, without a hearing, and was an arbitrary exercise of the discretion granted to the defendant.

// 18. That the plaintiff has made a request for his release from custody, all of which has been denied by the defendant.

// 19. That the defendant has arbitrarily and unreasonably taken the plaintiff into custody and is holding the plaintiff incarcerated.

// 20. That the aforesaid actions of the defendant are oppressive and harsh, and violate the fundamental rights of life and liberty.

// 21. That the plaintiff has been deprived of the right of due process and a hearing.

/ 22. That the action of the defendant is calculated to deprive the plaintiff of his constitutional rights and privileges, is arbitrary and unreasonable, and is not a fair exercise of discretion.

23. That the action of the defendant is not a valid exercise of any discretionary power granted to the District Director of Immigration and Naturalization Service, whether under the laws of the United States as provided for by Congress, or under the Constitution of the United States, or any and all applicable statutes and rules as provided for by duly constituted authority.

24. That on the 10th day of April, 1961, the plaintiff was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury in the United States District Court in and for the Southern District of Florida, Case No. 12,104-M-Criminal, wherein UNITED STATES OF AMERICA is plaintiff, and POLARDO ARCADIO MASTRERAN NOJAS, is defendant.

25. That this Court has entered an order in the aforesaid cause releasing the defendant (plaintiff herein) on One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) bond holding forth various and other sundry conditions of bond relating to the fact that the defendant (plaintiff herein) must remain in Miami County, Florida, pending the determination of said criminal action, and that said defendant (plaintiff herein) cannot engage in counter-revolutionary activities against the Cuban Government.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays:

1. That this Court issue a permanent injunction restraining the defendant from holding the plaintiff in

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custody, and from departing or collecting the plaintiff pursuant to orders issued by the defendant.

2. That a temporary injunction issue restraining the defendant from departing or collecting the plaintiff, taking him in custody and holding him incommunicado, or in any wise interfering with him, pending the final determination of this action.

3. For a final decree declaring that the action of the defendant in taking the plaintiff into custody and holding him incommunicado is in violation of due process, existing laws and an abuse of discretion.

4. For such other and further relief as may be deemed necessary and proper.

MONROE GILL
Attorney for Plaintiff

STATE OF FLORIDA)
COUNTY OF BAKK)

ROLANDO HASTENBERG ROJAS, being first duly sworn,
deposes and says:

That he is the plaintiff in the within action;
that he has read the foregoing Complaint and that the matters
and things therein set forth are true and correct.

ROLANDO HASTENBERG ROJAS

Signed and subscribed before me at Miami, Dade
County, Florida, this 1st day of April, 1944.

Notary Public

SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

District Court of the United States for the Southern District of Florida

Case No. 12-1000
District of Columbia
Division

10-5-41

ALFRED MASPERER ROYAL

ALFRED MASPERER ROYAL, DISTRICT
DIRECTOR, IMMIGRATION AND
NATURALIZATION SERVICE,
Miami, Florida
135 Biscayne Boulevard
Miami, Florida

SEYMOUR

To the above named Defendant,

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon

plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 1510 Congress Building,
Miami 22, Florida
(Franklin 5-7501)

an answer to the complaint which is herewith served upon you, within the time specified in this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Date: April 12, 1941

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This determination was predicated on a letter from the Secretary of State which is attached to defendant's affidavit in support of defendant's motion for summary judgment. The affidavit further reflects that the President of the United States has publically announced that the defendant is attempting to establish in Cuba a form of Government which does not meet the approbation of the United States.

Defendant prays that plaintiff's application for a temporary injunction be denied.

E. COLEMAN MADSEN
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

Of Counsel
DOUGLAS F. LILLIS, Regional Counsel
Immigration & Naturalization Service
Richmond, Virginia

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
MIAMI DIVISION

CIVIL ACTION NO. 19,622-M

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS,

Plaintiff,

vs.

EDWARD P. ABRAMS, DISTRICT
DIRECTOR, IMMIGRATION AND
NATURALIZATION SERVICE
Miami, Florida,

Defendant.

MEMORANDUM IN OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S
APPLICATION FOR A TEMPORARY INJUNCTION

The defendant, Edward P. Abrams, through his undersigned attorneys, moves this Honorable Court to deny plaintiff's application for a temporary injunction on the ground that the allegations of the complaint do not furnish legal justification for release of plaintiff either temporarily or permanently from defendant's custody.

Plaintiff is an alien who has been excluded from the United States and is subject to deportation. Defendant as a delegate of the Attorney General has the discretion to detain or release on parole excluded aliens and as shown by defendant's accompanying brief this discretion of the Attorney General is judicially unreviewable.

Assuming that the discretion of the Attorney General to detain or release excluded aliens is subject to judicial review, defendant submits that there has been no showing of arbitrary or capricious exercise of the discretion in plaintiff's case.

In the first place, there has been no prolonged detention of the plaintiff. He was taken into custody by defendant on April 8, 1961. The Attorney General has determined that plaintiff's continued enlargement on parole will not advance the foreign policies of the United States.

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That on April 18, 1961, the plaintiff was indicted in the United States District Court at Miami, Florida for conspiracy to violate the neutrality laws, to-wit, to take part in a military expedition against the Republic of Cuba;

That in a press conference on April 13, 1961, the Honorable John F. Kennedy, President of the United States, made reference to the above indictment of the plaintiff and stated that our Government does not approve of the purpose of the plaintiff to establish a satellite-like regime in Cuba;

That plaintiff is not as alleged in his complaint being held incommunicado but has been given every opportunity to and has conferred with his counsel and immediate family on several occasions;

That the allegation of the complaint that plaintiff was not given notice of the revocation of his parole is incorrect; that notice was given pursuant to Title 2, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 211.2; that a copy of said notice is attached hereto.

Walter F. Adams

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of April, 1961, at Miami, Dade County, Florida.

MURIEL M. MCCOY, Notary Public in and for the State of Florida at large.

By commission expires: _____

That the plaintiff was arrested on January 10, 1960, when he was ordered by defendant to surrender into defendant's custody on January 10, 1960, for removal from Florida and the coastal areas of the Gulf of Mexico for residence in Washington, D. C. or Baltimore, Maryland, or any other area not proximate to Florida and the coastal areas of the Gulf of Mexico.

That plaintiff by Civil Action No. 9607 in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, Miami Division, sought to resist defendant's above order requiring his surrender. The Honorable Judge Hest C. Chance by order of February 19, 1960, denied plaintiff's request for a temporary restraining order and gave him forty-eight hours within which to comply with defendant's above surrender order.

That because of plaintiff's physical condition, the defendant allowed plaintiff to remain in Miami, Florida and did not require compliance with Judge Chance's above order.

That on April 7, 1961, The Honorable Dean Rusk, Secretary of State, wrote The Honorable Robert F. Kennedy, The Attorney General, which original letter is attached requesting the Department of Justice and the Immigration and Naturalization Service to take action within the law to revoke the plaintiff's parole, to deport him or to restrict his presence at large for the reason that such action would advance our foreign policy objectives; that The Attorney General, exercising the authority accorded him by law, directed the defendant to take the plaintiff into custody.

That defendant, thereupon, assumed custody of the plaintiff who is now detained in detention facilities at the Federal Detention Headquarters, Miami, Florida.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
MIAMI DIVISION

CIVIL ACTION NO. 12-071-M

ROLANDO MASTERMAN DOMAS,

Plaintiff,

vs.

ATTORNEY

EDWARD F. AMERIN, DISTRICT
DIRECTOR, IMMIGRATION AND
NATURALIZATION SERVICE,
Miami, Florida,

Defendant.

EDWARD F. AMERIN being first duly sworn deposes and says:
That he is the District Director of the Immigration and Naturalization
Service in and for the District of Florida and as such has supervision
over the admission and exclusion of aliens in said State;

That the plaintiff is an alien, native and citizen of Cuba,
age 41, who was prominent in Cuba politics during the Batista regime;

That after the Castro revolution, to-wit, January 1, 1959,
the plaintiff fled from Cuba and applied for admission to the United
States at Key West, Florida, on January 1, 1959;

That the plaintiff was then passed into the United States
under the authority of Section 212(a)(2) of the Immigration and
Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. [1402(a)(2)]);

That on March 25, 1959, the plaintiff was accorded an
exclusion hearing before a Special Inquiry Officer and was by him
excluded on June 11, 1959, under Section 212(a)(2) of the Immigration
and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. [1402(a)(2)]) as an alien not in possession
of a valid visa or passport; that the plaintiff appealed the decision
of the Special Inquiry Officer to the Board of Immigration Appeals,
which on October 25, 1959, affirmed the said exclusion order;

of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(1)(A))
alien not in possession of a visa and passport.

Plaintiff was enlarged on parole by the defendant, the delegate
of the Attorney General, under the authority of Section 112(d)(3) of the
Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(3)). The granting of
such parole did not alter the plaintiff's status as an excluded alien
and he remained within the category of aliens "on the threshold of
initial entry".

For the reasons stated in the attached affidavit of defendant,
the Attorney General through the defendant, his delegate, on April 2,
1961, revoked the parole of the plaintiff and took him into custody
under the exclusion order. This action of the Attorney General and
the defendant, his delegate, is not judicially reviewable but even if
reviewed, it should not be found to have been arbitrary and capricious.
As shown by defendant's affidavit, plaintiff's continued enlargement
under parole would not be in the best interests of the United States.

Defendant prays that this action be dismissed and that his
custody of the plaintiff be not disturbed.

E. CALVIN MARSH
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

cc Counsel
ROBERT F. LILLIS, Regional Counsel
Immigration & Naturalization Service
Richmond, Virginia

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
MIAMI DIVISION

CIVIL ACTION NO. 10,321-1

ROLANDO MASTRERRE ROJAS,

Plaintiff,

vs.

EDWARD P. ALBRECHT, DISTRICT
DIRECTOR, IMMIGRATION AND
NATURALIZATION SERVICE,
Miami, Florida,

Defendant.

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT
BY THE ALTERNATIVE
NOTICE FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT

Edward P. Albrecht, the defendant herein, by and through his undersigned attorneys, moves this Honorable Court to dismiss the complaint on the grounds:

1. The complaint fails to state a cause of action upon which relief can be granted.
2. This Court lacks jurisdiction over the subject matter because the order complained of was made under statutory authority of the Attorney General which is not subject to judicial review.

NOTICE FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

In the alternative, the defendant moves for summary judgment asserting that even if all of plaintiff's factual allegations are conceded for purposes of this motion, the defendant is entitled to judgment as a matter of law upon the basis of the facts alleged in defendant's affidavit which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

The plaintiff is an alien who applied for admission to the United States and was admitted under the authority of Section 112(d) (2)

Mr. Edward P. Ahrens

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to be transferred either by air or surface means to any installation. There is no indication from any of the above tests that his being kept in an institution for a period of time would have any deleterious effect on him, providing, of course, that he is not required to do heavy labor. I do not contemplate that any difficulty would arise under the arrangement which has been outlined to me.

If there is any further information you would desire, do not hesitate to contact me.

Very sincerely yours,

Solomon Kann, M. D.

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SOLomon KANN, M.D. & ARTHUR I. KATZMAN, M.D.

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April 11, 1961

Mr. Edward P. Algren
District Director
Immigration and Naturalization Service
2011 East Avenue
Miami, Florida

Re: Mr. Masferrer

Dear Mr. Algren:

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On the first day of this hospitalization an electrocardiogram was done which revealed an abnormality in keeping with coronary artery disease. Two subsequent electrocardiograms showed a reversion of these changes to normal and there was no significant abnormality noted on the last tracing taken on April 11, 1961. X-rays of the gall bladder and upper intestinal tract were within normal limits. Numerous blood chemistries were carried out which showed no evidence of kidney disease, diabetes, or other disturbance of body metabolism with the exception of slight elevation of the blood cholesterol. The significance of this latter finding is open to question.

In conclusion it is my recommendation based upon the above findings that it is permissible for Mr. Masferrer

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
MIAMI DIVISION

CIVIL ACTION NO. 10,659-M

OLANDO M. SPERZIN ROJAS,

Plaintiff,

vs.

EDWARD J. ARRELY, DISTRICT
DIRECTOR, IMMIGRATION AND
NATURALIZATION SERVICE,
Miami, Florida.

Defendant.

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of the Defendant, EDWARD J. ARRELY, District Director,
Immigration & Naturalization Service, Miami, Florida, etc.

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the Declaratory Judgment Act (28 U.S.C. 2201) and Section 10
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provisions of Section 212 (d)(8) of the Immigration and

Nationality Act of 1952 until a determination.

5. That the plaintiff fled from Cuba as a political refugee and came to the United States seeking sanctuary.

6. That the plaintiff was born in Felguin, Cuba, on January 12, 1918; that the plaintiff is married to LUCILA HISPUELA, and that there are two children of said marriage, to-wit: LUCILA, age 16, and ALEJANDRO, age 14; that said plaintiff resides, together with his family, at 1900 S. W. 21st Terrace, Miami, Dade County, Florida.

7. That the plaintiff had been active in politics in Cuba; that he was the leader of the Union Radical Party in the Cuban Senate and served as Senator until he was forced to flee Cuba.

8. That the plaintiff was the owner and editor of the newspaper known as "TIEMPO", and has been a most outspoken opponent to Communism.

9. That the plaintiff is a leader of the Cuban people in their battle against Communism and Castro.

10. That the plaintiff has been a good friend to the United States and for many years has visited the United States together with his family, and is familiar with our customs, habits and form of government.

11. That the plaintiff has sought sanctuary in the United States because it is a democratic country and because it gives voice to humane considerations and grants political asylum and recognizes the individual rights of man.

12. That the plaintiff, when he arrived at Key West, Florida, did so openly, and submitted himself at that time to the control of governmental authorities of the United States, including Immigration and Naturalization Service.

// 13. That the plaintiff has resided in the Miami area for more than two years, during which time he has reported regularly to Immigration and Naturalization Service as directed by them, and has done everything within his power to comply with the supervision and control of Immigration and Naturalization Service.

// 14. That the plaintiff has also cooperated in all respects with all governmental agencies, including the giving of information to the F. B. I. and other governmental authorities for the purpose of assisting this country in combatting the infiltration of Communism.

15. That under the provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 and the Regulations promulgated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to said Act, the defendant herein has delegated and presently exercises sole authority to amend or revoke the parole of the plaintiff.

✓ 16. That on to-wit: the 8th day of April, 1961, the plaintiff was taken into custody by the U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service by reason of the revocation of his parole.

// 17. That the aforesaid revocation of parole was made without notice, without a hearing, and was an arbitrary exercise of the discretion granted to the defendant.

/ 18. That the plaintiff has made a request for his release from custody, all of which has been denied by the defendant.

// 19. That the defendant has arbitrarily and unreasonably taken the plaintiff into custody and is holding the plaintiff incommunicado.

// 20. That the aforesaid actions of the defendant are oppressive and harsh, and violate the fundamental rights of life and liberty.

// 21. That the plaintiff has been deprived of the right of due process and a hearing.

/ 22. That the action of the defendant is calculated to deprive the plaintiff of his constitutional rights and privileges, is arbitrary and unreasonable, and is not a fair exercise of discretion.

23. That the action of the defendant is not a valid exercise of any discretionary power granted to the District Director of Immigration and Naturalization Service, whether under the laws of the United States as provided for by Congress, or under the Constitution of the United States, or any and all applicable statutes and rules as provided for by duly constituted authority.

24. That on the 10th day of April, 1961, the plaintiff was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury in the United States District Court in and for the Southern District of Florida, Case No. 12,106-N-Criminal, wherein UNITED STATES OF AMERICA is plaintiff, and ROLANDO ARCADIO MASTERRER ROJAS, is defendant.

25. That this Court has entered an order in the aforesaid cause requiring the defendant (plaintiff herein) on due bonded bailor (\$2,000.00) bond holding him in various and other sundry conditions of bond relating to the fact that the defendant (plaintiff herein) must remain in Brevard County, Florida, pending the determination of said criminal action, and that said defendant (plaintiff herein) cannot engage in counter-revolutionary activities against the Cuban Government.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays:

/// 1. That this Court issue a permanent injunction restraining the defendant from holding the plaintiff in

custody, and from deporting or molesting the plaintiff pursuant to orders issued by the defendant.

2. That a temporary injunction issue restraining the defendant from deporting or molesting the plaintiff, taking him in custody and holding him incommunicado, or in any wise interfering with him, pending the final determination of this action.

3. For a final decree declaring that the action of the defendant in taking the plaintiff into custody and holding him incommunicado is in violation of due process, existing laws and on abuse of discretion.

4. For such other and further relief as may be deemed necessary and proper.

ROLANDO MASPERRER RUJAS

HONORABLE CLERK
Attorney for Plaintiff

STATE OF FLORIDA)
COUNTY OF DADE) ss

ROLANDO MASPERRER RUJAS, being first duly sworn,
deposes and says:

That he is the plaintiff in the within action;
that he has read the foregoing Complaint and that the matters
and things therein set forth are true and correct.

ROLANDO MASPERRER RUJAS

SWORN TO and subscribed before me at Miami, Dade
County, Florida, this ____ day of April, 1961.

Notary Public

FOR THE

11-11-61 DIVISION

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D.C.
BIRMINGHAM OFFICE
ALABAMA

Defendant

To the above named Defendant :

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: **NO. 1.08 G.M.**

Attorney, whose address

1514 Congress Building
Miami 32, Florida
(Franklin 5-7361)

summons upon you, exclusively of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Date: April 12, 1961

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Note.—This summons is issued pursuant to Rule 6 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

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This determination was predicated on a letter from the Secretary of State which is attached to defendant's affidavit in support of defendant's motion for summary judgment. The affidavit further reflects that the President of the United States has publicly announced that the defendant is attempting to establish in Cuba a form of Government which does not meet the approbation of the United States.

Defendant prays that plaintiff's application for a temporary injunction be denied.

E. COLEMAN MADSEN
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

Of Counsel
DOUGLAS P. LILLIS, Regional Counsel
Immigration & Naturalization Service
Richmond, Virginia

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
MIAMI DIVISION

CIVIL ACTION NO. 19-622-M

HOLANDO MASPERER ROJAS,

Plaintiff,

vs.

EDWARD P. ABRAMS, DISTRICT
DIRECTOR, IMMIGRATION AND
NATURALIZATION SERVICE
Miami, Florida,

Defendant.

MEMORANDUM IN OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S
APPLICATION FOR A TEMPORARY INJUNCTION

The defendant, Edward P. Abrams, through his undersigned attorneys, moves this Honorable Court to deny plaintiff's application for a temporary injunction on the ground that the allegations of the complaint do not furnish legal justification for release of plaintiff either temporarily or permanently from defendant's custody.

Plaintiff is an alien who has been excluded from the United States and is subject to deportation. Defendant as a delegate of the Attorney General has the discretion to detain or release on parole excluded aliens and as shown by defendant's accompanying brief this discretion of the Attorney General is judicially unreviewable.

Assuming that the discretion of the Attorney General to detain or release excluded aliens is subject to judicial review, defendant submits that there has been no showing of arbitrary or capricious exercise of the discretion in plaintiff's case.

In the first place, there has been no prolonged detention of the plaintiff. He was taken into custody by defendant on April 8, 1961. The Attorney General has determined that plaintiff's continued enlargement on parole will not advance the foreign policies of the United States.

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April 8, 1961

Mr. Rolando Masferrer y Rojas
1900 S. W. 21st Terrace
Miami, Florida

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that the parole which was granted to you into the United States pursuant to Section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, dated February 6, 1961, is hereby revoked in conformity with paragraph 1 thereof which stated that the privilege was subject to revocation without prior notice.

This letter also confirms the information extended to you orally by an officer of this Service at your home on April 8, 1961, that your parole was revoked and you were being taken into detention.

Very truly yours,

Joseph Minton
Acting District Director

I hereby acknowledge receipt of the above letter.

8th April 1961
(Date)

S/ Rolando Masferrer y Rojas
Rolando Masferrer y Rojas

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON



April 7, 1961

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

Holando Masferrer Rojas, a citizen of Cuba, is presently paroled under Section 212 (d) 5 of the Immigration and Nationality Act. The continued presence at large of Holando Masferrer in the United States and particularly in the State of Florida is prejudicial to our national interest from the point of view of our foreign relations. Any action which the Immigration and Naturalization Service can take within the law administered by the Department of Justice to revoke this alien's parole, deporting him or restricting his presence at large, would accordingly advance our foreign policy objectives.

Sincerely yours,

Dean Rusk

Dean Rusk

The Honorable
Robert F. Kennedy,
The Attorney General.

That on April 16, 1961, the plaintiff was indicted in the United States District Court at Miami, Florida for conspiracy to violate the neutrality laws, to-wit, to take part in a military expedition against the Republic of Cuba;

That in a press conference on April 13, 1961, the Honorable John F. Kennedy, President of the United States, made reference to the above indictment of the plaintiff and stated that our Government does not approve of the purpose of the plaintiff to establish a Batista-like regime in Cuba;

That plaintiff is not as alleged in his complaint being held incommunicado but has been given every opportunity to see his counsel with his counsel and immediate family on several occasions;

That the allegation of the complaint that plaintiff was not given notice of the revocation of his parole is incorrect; that notice was given pursuant to Title 2, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 212.3; that a copy of said notice is attached hereto.

EDWARD P. ARBENS

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of April, 1961, at Miami, Dade County, Florida.

ABIGAIL M. MCCOY, Notary Public in and for the State of Florida at large.

My commission expires:

That the plaintiff was continued on parole until January 8, 1960, and was ordered by defendant to surrender to defendant's custody in Miami, Florida, for removal from Florida and the coastal area of the Gulf of Mexico for residence in Washington, D. C. or Baltimore, Maryland, or any other area not proximate to Florida and the coastal areas of the Gulf of Mexico;

That plaintiff by Civil Action No. 9697 in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, Miami Division, sought to resist defendant's above order requiring his surrender. The Honorable Judge Louis C. Chase by order of February 29, 1960, denied plaintiff's request for a temporary restraining order and gave him forty-eight hours within which to comply with defendant's above surrender order;

That because of plaintiff's physical condition, the defendant allowed plaintiff to remain in Miami, Florida and did not require compliance with Judge Chase's above order;

That on April 7, 1961, The Honorable Dean Rusk, Secretary of State, wrote The Honorable Robert F. Kennedy, The Attorney General, which original letter is attached requesting the Department of Justice and the Immigration and Naturalization Service to take action within the law to revoke the plaintiff's parole, to deport him or to restrict his presence at large for the reason that such action would advance our foreign policy objectives; that The Attorney General, exercising the authority accorded him by law, directed the defendant to take the plaintiff into custody;

That defendant, thereupon, assumed custody of the plaintiff who is now detained in detention facilities at the Border Patrol Headquarters, Miami, Florida;

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
MIAMI DIVISION

CIVIL ACTION NO. 10,677-M

ROLANDO MASTERKER BOLAS,

Plaintiff,

vs.

ATTORNEY

EDWARD F. AMERIS, DISTRICT
DIRECTOR, IMMIGRATION AND
NATURALIZATION SERVICE,
Miami, Florida,

Defendant.

EDWARD F. AMERIS being first duly sworn deposes and says:

That he is the District Director of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in and for the District of Florida and as such has supervision over the admission and exclusion of aliens in said State;

That the plaintiff is an alien, native and citizen of Cuba, age 43, who was prominent in Cuba politics during the Batista regime;

That after the Castro revolution, to-wit, January 1, 1959, the plaintiff fled from Cuba and applied for admission to the United States at Key West, Florida, on January 1, 1959;

That the plaintiff was then paroled into the United States under the authority of Section 212(d)(3) of the Immigration and Nationality Act [8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(3)];

That on March 20, 1959, the plaintiff was accorded an exclusion hearing before a Special Inquiry Officer and was by him excluded on June 11, 1959, under Section 212(a)(20) of the Immigration and Nationality Act [8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(20)] as an alien not in possession of a valid visa or passport; that the plaintiff appealed the decision of the Special Inquiry Officer to the Board of Immigration Appeals which on October 20, 1959, affirmed the said exclusion order;

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of the Immigration and Nationality Act [8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(20)] as an alien not in possession of a visa and passport;

Plaintiff was enlarged on parole by the defendant, the delegate of the Attorney General, under the authority of Section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act [8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5)]. The granting of such parole did not alter the plaintiff's status as an excluded alien and he remains within the category of aliens "on the threshold of initial entry".

For the reasons stated in the attached affidavit of defendant, the Attorney General through the defendant, his delegate, on April 8, 1961, revokes the parole of the plaintiff and took him into custody under the exclusion order. This action of the Attorney General and the defendant, his delegate, is not judicially reviewable but even if reviewed, it should not be found to have been arbitrary and capricious. As shown by defendant's affidavit, plaintiff's continued enlargement under parole would not be in the best interests of the United States.

Defendant prays that this action be dismissed and that his custody of the plaintiff be not disturbed.

E. COLEMAN MADSEN
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

of Counsel
DOUGLAS P. LILLIE, Regional Counsel
Immigration & Naturalization Service
Richmond, Virginia

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
MIAMI DIVISION

CIVIL ACTION NO. 12-617-4

ROLANDO MASFERRER NOJAS,

Plaintiff,

vs.

EDWARD P. AHEWES, DISTRICT
DIRECTOR, IMMIGRATION AND
NATURALIZATION SERVICE,
Miami, Florida,

Defendant.

MOTION TO DISMISS
or in the alternative
MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

MOTION TO DISMISS

Edward P. Ahewes, the defendant herein, by and through his undersigned attorneys, moves this Honorable Court to dismiss the complaint on the grounds:

1. The complaint fails to state a cause of action upon which relief can be granted.
2. This Court lacks jurisdiction over the subject matter because the order complained of was made under statutory authority of The Attorney General which is not subject to judicial review.

MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

In the alternative, the defendant moves for summary judgment asserting that even if all of plaintiff's factual allegations are conceded for purposes of this motion, the defendant is entitled to judgment as a matter of law upon the basis of the facts alleged in defendant's affidavit which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

The plaintiff is an alien who applied for admission to the United States and was excluded under the authority of Section 212(a)(20).

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1 - Liaison
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Date: May 8, 1961
To: Office of Security
Department of State
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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Reference is made to my letter dated May 4, 1961.

Captioned individual on May 5, 1961, was arraigned before United States District Judge William A. McRae Jr., United States District Court, Southern District of Florida, Miami, Florida, and entered a plea of not guilty. Mr. Monroe Gelb, attorney for Masferrer, requested an additional thirty days in order to prepare the necessary briefs and motions in answer to the indictment. This delay was granted by Judge McRae.

After the above proceedings, Mr. Gelb advised an Agent of our Miami Office that if this case is brought to trial he will subpoena the President of the United States, the Secretary of State, the Attorney General and the Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

As additional information is received concerning this matter, you will be advised.

- 1 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army

Attention: Chief, Security Division

- 1 - Director
Central Intelligence Agency

Attention: Deputy Director, Plans

- 1 - Deputy Commissioner, Investigations
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Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /2-1622/

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NEUTRALITY MATTER

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NM, REMYTEL MAY ONE LAST.

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TODAY SUBJECT ARRAIGNED BEFORE USDJ WILLIAM A. MC RAE, JR., USDC,
SOUTHERN DIST. OF FLA.

SDF, MIAMI. ENTERED NOT GUILTY PLEA. MONREO GELB, ATTORNEY FOR

SUBJECT, REQUESTED ADDITIONAL THIRTY DAYS IN ORDER TO PREPARE

NECESSARY BRIEFS AND MOTIONS IN ANSWER TO INDICTMENT, WHICH WAS

GRANTED BY JUDGE MC RAE. AFTER PROCEEDINGS, GELB ADVISED SA

(b7c) [REDACTED] THAT IF THIS MATTER GOES TO TRIAL, HE WILL SUBPOENA
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Memorandum

TO : SAC, *Miami*

(Your file *2-156*)

DATE: *7-12-61*

FROM : Director, FBI (Bufile and Serial
(Room No. *2-1622-114*
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SUBJECT:

Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas
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- ☐ 1. Bufiles reflect this case is delinquent. Give specific reason for delinquency.

- ☐ 2. Date ☐ letter ☐ submitted
☐ report ☐ will be submitted

- ☒ 3. If valid reason exists for not submitting report at this time, state reason specifically and when report will be submitted *awaiting decision Court of Appeals in INS case; upon receipt will surrep*

- ☒ 4. Status of investigation

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The Attorney General

May 9, 1961

Director, FBI

BOLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

- 1 - Mr. Parsons
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Simpson

Bolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas is the former Cuban senator who was indicted on April 10, 1961, by a Federal Grand Jury, Southern District of Florida, Miami, Florida. The indictment charged Masferrer, as the only defendant, with conspiring with others to violate Section 960, Title 18, United States Code, in that they conspired to set on foot a military expedition to be carried on from within the United States against the Republic of Cuba in October, 1960.

Masferrer was arraigned on the above indictment on May 5, 1961, before United States District Judge William A. McRae, Jr., United States District Court, Southern District of Florida, Miami, Florida, and entered a plea of not guilty. Mr. Monroe Gelb, attorney for Masferrer, requested an additional 30 days in order to prepare the necessary briefs and motions in answer to the indictment. This delay was granted by Judge McRae.

After the above Court proceedings Mr. Gelb advised an Agent of the Miami Office of this Bureau that if this case is brought to trial he will subpoena the President of the United States, the Attorney General, the Secretary of State, and the Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

In the event any additional information is received concerning Mr. Gelb's intentions to subpoena the above officials you will be advised.

- 1 - Mr. Byron R. White
Deputy Attorney General
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 6/9/61

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (2-156)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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Enclosed are two articles which appeared in local Miami newspaper.

On June 8, 1961, ARTHUR LAVELL, Special Assistant to the Director of the Cuban Refugee Center, Miami, stated that relief and subsistence is granted to individuals, each case based on its own merits. LAVELL acknowledged MASFERRER had received an initial payment from the Refugee Center, and indicated this was granted pending further re-evaluation of actual need for financial assistance. LAVELL related MASFERRER may receive additional financial assistance in the future provided he can establish eligibility for such need.

The above is submitted for the information of the Bureau, and the Bureau will be kept advised.

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I Need Relief, Says Masferrer

By DENIS SNEIGR

Former Cuban Sen. Rolando Masferrer today charged that the federal government stopped his refugee relief because of his political position.

But an official of the Cuban Refugee Emergency Center denied his accusation and said Masferrer's relief was halted because it could not be established that he needed the money.

Masferrer said he is jobless and absolutely broke and depends on friends for money to buy food for himself, his wife and their 14-year-old son. Their 16-year-old daughter is living with friends in New York.

"TAKE IT EASY"

He received one \$99 check early in April and when he returned a month later he was turned down, he said.

The former senator under the Fulgencio Batista regime said it was implied at the refugee center that if he "took it easy and led a quiet, normal life" he might be eligible for more checks.

"I'm fairly certain no one ever said anything like that to him," said Art Lavell, assistant director of the center.

"Rolando Masferrer is just another name to us. He's a Cuban," Lavell added. "All refugees are considered for cash assistance in terms of eligibility — how much money they have and whether they are employed.

"He failed to establish need."



ROLANDO MASFERRER
Left Out?

Masferrer fled Cuba on Jan. 2, 1959, the day after Castro forces overthrew Batista.

For the past two years the United States government has been trying to get Masferrer out of circulation.

He now is awaiting trial on a federal grand jury indictment charging him with conspiring to outfit and send a military expedition against Castro.

HIGH INTEREST

Masferrer pleaded innocent and is free in \$1,000 bond.

He was arrested April 8 at the request of Secretary of State Dean Rusk.

Nine days after Masferrer's arrest the abortive invasion of Cuba began.

THE MIAMI NEWS
Miami, Florida

Date: 6/7/61

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U.S. Cuts Off

Masferrer Relief Funds

Rolando Masferrer, one-time Cuban millionaire who now says he's flat broke, has been cut off from Cuban relief funds here "because he couldn't give clear-cut answers" on his financial position.

The decision to drop Masferrer from the relief rolls was made by a social worker who visited his home and was upheld by higher officials of the Cuban Relief Center.

"Masferrer's appeal for help

was granted when he first appeared, as are almost all other applications," said Art Lavell, assistant director of the center.

"However, like all others we made a routine check of his circumstances and asked routine questions of Masferrer at his home. He couldn't give clear-cut answers to the clear-cut questions, and the social worker decided payments to Masferrer under the relief funds available weren't justified."

The former Batista aide, who fled Cuba on Jan. 1, 1959, received one check of \$99, which was to have been a monthly payment for himself, his wife and their two children.

"The relief program is not a

blanket operation in which every Cuban receives funds," Lavell said. "As I told Masferrer's attorney when he called in his client's behalf, 'there is no provision that everyone must receive help.'"

Masferrer, who has had his troubles with the Immigration Department on the one hand, now is free under a \$1,000 bond from a federal indictment claiming he financed and outfitted a military expedition against Fidel Castro in 1960.

Miami Herald
Miami, Florida

Date 6/8/61

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VIOLATION OF 18 U.S.C. 960

UNITED STATES v. ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
(S.D. FLA.)

An indictment returned April 10, 1961 in Miami charged Rolando Masferrer Rojas, former Cuban Senator in the regime of Fulgencio Batista, with conspiring to violate 18 U.S.C. 960. Six other Cubans and one American were named as co-conspirators but not defendants.

The indictment arose out of Masferrer's activities in connection with the planning and outfitting of an expedition which met disaster in an attempt to invade Cuba on October 4, 1960. The landing force was captured and ten of them, including three Americans - Dale Thompson, Robert Otis Fuller and Anthony Zarba - were executed by the Cuban Government.

The indictment named Masferrer as one of the principal organizers of the expedition and accuses him of soliciting and receiving \$2000 from one of the co-conspirators. The indictment also charges the purchase of arms and ammunition in Miami by the conspirators.

1960-7 Masferrer was taken into custody on October 8, 1961 by the Immigration and Naturalization Service at the request of the State Department because State expressed the opinion that Masferrer's continued presence at large in the United States would be prejudicial to our national interests and our foreign relations. Masferrer had been placed on parole by the Immigration Service shortly after his arrival in this country in January of 1959. While in INS custody, a bench warrant was issued and bond set at \$1000.

Pursuant to a complaint filed by Masferrer against INS the court, on May 27, 1961, ordered Masferrer released from INS custody by May 1, 1961 and permanently enjoined INS from taking Masferrer into custody except for purposes of deportation. Masferrer was subsequently released by INS.

Title I: Criminal Section

Information included in Internal Security Division Bi-Monthly Status Report as of April 30, 1961.

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On December 30, 1961, Izquierdo pleaded guilty and was sentenced to a fine of \$100. Rojas was found guilty by a jury on January 25, 1961 and was sentenced to a fine of \$200.

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Information included in Internal Security Division Bi-Monthly Status Report as of April 30, 1961.

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my
Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

June 16, 1961

Director, FBI

REG-32-1622-116
EX-116
ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my letter dated May 4, 1961,

There is enclosed for your information one Photostat each of newspaper articles appearing in the June 7, 1961, issue of the "Miami News" and the June 8, 1961, issue of the "Miami Herald," Miami, Florida.

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Note on Yellow:

Subject is under indictment in Miami, Florida, for the alleged organization of an expedition against Cuba in October, 1960. The newspaper articles being sent to the Department indicate that the Federal Government has now prevented subject from obtaining funds from the Cuban Refugee Emergency Center on the basis that he could not establish that he needed money.

In view of the pending indictment against Masferrer and the possibility he may allege he is being persecuted by the United States Government, it is believed that the articles should be called to the attention of the Department.

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Date: 7/25/61

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS CLASS. & EXT. BY SP6BJW/MS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2
(OO: MIAMI) DATE OF REVIEW 8/25/91

On 7/25/61, EDWARD P. AHRENS, District Director, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Miami, advised that pursuant to an order by the U. S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit, New Orleans, on 6/30/61, ordered subject to surrender to the custody of AHRENS, INS, Miami, 9:00 AM, on 7/27/61. This order was directed by USDJ EMMETT C. CHOATE, USDC, SDF, Miami, on 7/24/61.

(b-1) [REDACTED]

MASFERRER has not been engaged in any current political or revolutionary activities recently.

AHRENS was advised of MASFERRER's location.

AHRENS indicated that he believed MASFERRER would be placed in detention at the U. S. Immigration

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3 - Miami

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Border Patrol Headquarters, Miami, for an indefinite period, however, he was awaiting the decision and instructions from his headquarters in Washington as to the action to be taken concerning MASFERRER.

This matter is being followed and report will be submitted.

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1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Gurley

2-1622

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Date: August 1, 1961
To: Office of Security
Department of State
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to previous information submitted to you in captioned matter.

On July 25, 1961, Mr. Edward P. Ahrens, District Director, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Miami, Florida, advised the Miami, Florida, Office of this Bureau that pursuant to an order by the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, New Orleans, Louisiana, on June 30, 1961, the subject was ordered to surrender to the custody of Mr. Ahrens at Immigration and Naturalization Service, Miami, Florida, 9 a.m., July 27, 1961. No information has been received to date that subject actually surrendered as ordered.

This order was directed by United States District Judge Emmett C. Choate, United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, Miami, Florida, on July 24, 1961.

1 - Director
Central Intelligence Agency

Attention: Deputy Director, Plans

1 - Director of Naval Intelligence

1 - Office of Special Investigations
1 - Office of Naval Force

Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division

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**Office of Security
Department of State**

- 1 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army**

Attention: Chief, Security Division

- 1 - The Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service**

- 1 - Deputy Commissioner, Investigations
Bureau of Customs**

- 1 - Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley**

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Subject is under indictment in Miami, Florida, for the alleged organization of an expedition against Cuba in October, 1960. Monroe Gelb, attorney for Masferrer, advised an Agent of the Miami Office in May, 1961, that in the event this case is brought to trial he will subpoena the President of the United States, the Attorney General, the Secretary of State, and the Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. This information has been disseminated previously to interested agencies.

1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Gurley

2-1622

Date: August 2, 1961
To: Office of Security
Department of State
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my letter dated August 1, 1961, in captioned matter, wherein it was stated that the subject had been ordered to surrender on July 27, 1961, to Immigration and Naturalization authorities.

On July 27, 1961, Mr. Edward P. Ahrens, District Director, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Miami, advised the Miami, Florida, Office of this Bureau that the subject voluntarily surrendered himself to the Immigration and Naturalization Service on that date. He is currently under detention at United States Immigration Border Patrol Headquarters, Miami, Florida.

Mr. Ahrens also advised that subject's attorney, Monroe Gelb, Miami, asked for subject's release if the subject agreed to move to another locality. Gelb stated Masferrer desired permission to live in Paterson, New Jersey, where his brother, Raimundo, currently resides. No decision in this regard has been reached.

As additional information is received, you will be advised.

BY COURIER SVC.
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- 1 - Director
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Attention: Deputy Director, Plans
1 - Director of Naval Intelligence
1 - Office of Special Investigations
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Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division

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**Office of Security
Department of State**

**1 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army**

Attention: Chief, Security Division

**1 - The Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service**

**1 - Deputy Commissioner, Investigations
Bureau of Customs**

**1 - Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley**

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Date: 7/28/61

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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On 7/27/61, EDWARD P. AHRENS, Director, INS, Miami, advised subject voluntarily surrendered himself to INS today. MASFERRER is currently under detention at U. S. Immigration Border Patrol Headquarters, Miami, Fla.,

On 7/27/61, AHRENS advised subject's attorney, MONROE GELB, Miami, asked for subject's release if subject agreed to move to another locality. GELB stated MASFERRER desired permission to live in Patterson, N. J., where his brother, RAIMUNDO currently resides.

AHRENS confidentially indicated he believed a decision would be made in the immediate future as to where to send MASFERRER. Further, he did not believe it would be on or near the Atlantic or Gulf Coasts.

Report will be submitted upon disposition of MASFERRER's case by INS, Miami.

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Approved: W. J. H. H.
Special Agent in Charge

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Bulky Exhibit - Inventory of Property Acquired as Evidence
FD-192 (Rev. 12-5-58)

Date **August 1, 1961**

☐ Check, when submitting semiannual inventory, if no previous correspondence with Bureau.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASPERRE ROJAS
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Possible evidence - to be retained until conclusion of case.

Description of Property or Exhibit and Identity of Agent Submitting Same

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Date: 8/11/61

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Via AIRTELREGISTERED MAIL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEWARK (97-)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO MASFERRER
IS - CUBA;
RA - CUBA

For information, INS, Newark advised this date that subject, who is presently under indictment at Miami, Florida, has registered with that office as a Cuban alien and now resides with his brother, RAIMUNDO MASFERRER, 64 Pearl Street, Paterson, New Jersey.

Newark will remain alert to pertinent information relating to subject arising from investigation of other Cuban matters and will advise Bureau and other offices.

No additional action being taken UACB.

- 3 - Bureau (RM)
- 1 - Miami (INFO) (RM)
- 1 - New York (INFO) (RM)
- 1 - Washington Field (INFO) (RM)
- 2 - Newark

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Let to State
and interested agencies
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Approved: RWS

Special Agent in Charge

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1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Simpson

2-1622

Date: August 16, 1961
To: Office of Security
Department of State
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my letter dated August 2, 1961.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service, Newark, New Jersey, advised our Newark Office on August 11, 1961, that Masferrer, currently under indictment at Miami, Florida, had registered with the Immigration and Naturalization Service as a Cuban alien and reported that he now resides at 64 Pearl Street, Paterson, New Jersey, with his brother, Raimundo Masferrer.

- 1 - Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Attention: Deputy Director, Plans
1 - Director of Naval Intelligence
1 - Office of Special Investigations
Air Force

Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division

- 1 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army

Attention: Chief, Security Division

- 1 - The Commissioner
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**Office of Security
Department of State**

**1 - Deputy Commissioner, Investigations
Bureau of Customs**

**1 - Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley**

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ROJAS, (Title I, p. 15)

On June 30, 1961, the Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit reversed the District Court's order of April 27, 1961. The District Court's order of April 27, issued by Judge Emmett C. Choate, had ordered the release of Masferrer from the custody of the Immigration Service and enjoined them from "molesting" the former Cuban Senator.

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This is an extract of June, 1961 Monthly report of the Internal Security Div. of the Department. It may be filed if it contains new information or destroyed if it duplicates data already received or is of no value.

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Date: 9/15/61

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

NM

(OO: Miami)

For information of the Bureau, on 9/15/61 EDWARD P. AHRENS, District Director, INS, Miami, advised he received letter dated 9/13/61 from MONROE GELB, attorney for MASFERRER, who indicated trial in instant matter scheduled for trial 11/13/61. GELB requested advice of INS as to steps which should be taken in order for MASFERRER to be granted permission to come to Miami for trial.

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Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

1 - Mr. Simpson

September 20, 1961

Director, FBI

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BOLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to my letter dated August 18, 1961, addressed to the Office of Security, Department of State, a copy of which was furnished to you.

On September 15, 1961, Mr. Edward P. Ahrens, District Director, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Miami, Florida, advised that he had received a letter dated September 13, 1961, from Mr. Monroe Gelb, attorney for Masferrer, which indicated that the trial in this matter was scheduled for November 13, 1961. Mr. Gelb was requesting the advice of the Immigration and Naturalization Service as to the steps to be taken for Masferrer to be granted permission to travel to Miami for this trial.

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To: SAC, Miami
From: Director, FBI (2-1622)

BOLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reurairtel 9-15-61 advising trial in instant matter scheduled for 11-13-61.

Departmental attorney today requested Bureau determine whereabouts and availability and willingness to testify of [REDACTED]

The attorney has also requested the Department be furnished any additional information concerning this case which has not been brought to the Department's attention and whether any new witnesses have been developed concerning this matter.

You are instructed to promptly determine the whereabouts, availability and willingness to testify of the above individuals, whether all pertinent information concerning this matter has been furnished the Bureau in report form, and whether there are any new witnesses concerning this matter. Handle immediately and suairtel.

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Departmental Attorney [REDACTED] telephonically contacted Supervisor Roy D. Simpson at 4:30 p.m., 9-22-61, requesting the above information. He is sending a confirming memorandum to the Bureau.

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Date: 9/26/61

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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[REDACTED] has not been located; however, efforts are continuing to locate per Bureau request.

No Locality

Miami closely following this matter and Bureau will be advised immediately upon receipt of definite information concerning these witnesses' whereabouts, availability and willingness to testify in this case.

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Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

September 29, 1961

Director, FBI

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASPERER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

S.T. [unclear]
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Reference is made to the telephone call from [redacted] of the Internal Security Division to Special Agent Roy D. Simpson of this Bureau on September 23, 1961, requesting that the FBI determine the whereabouts, availability and willingness to testify of [redacted] who are involved in the above-captioned matter.

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[redacted]
Attempts are continuing to be made to locate him.

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You will be immediately advised when these witnesses have been located and contacted concerning this matter.

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2 - Miami

ATTENTION: SAC, MIAMI

You are instructed to continue your efforts to locate these individuals and to immediately advise the Bureau when they have been located and their availability and willingness to testify have been determined. Until they are located, you should submit an airtel to arrive at the Bureau each Monday advising of the current status of your efforts in this regard.

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Date: 10/3/61

Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT
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Via AIRTEL REGISTERED
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, NEWARK (97-315)
SUBJECT: ROLANDO MASFERRER
IS - CUBA;
RA - CUBA

Re Newark airtel to Bureau dated 8/11/61.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 9 copies of a letterhead memorandum containing information [REDACTED]

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9 ENCLOSURE

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- 1 - Washington Field (Info) (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 2 - Newark

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- ☐ Information pertained only to a third party. Your name is listed in the title only.
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Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

1 - Mr. Gurley

October 9, 1961

Director, FBI

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

There is enclosed one copy of a memorandum dated October 3, 1961, at Newark, New Jersey, entitled "Rolando Masferrer, Internal Security - Cuba, Registration Act - Cuba."

This memorandum is furnished for your information and consideration in connection with subject's forthcoming trial in captioned matter.

Enclosure

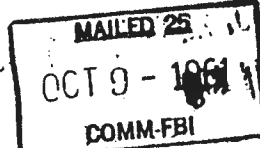
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NOTE ON YELLOW:

Subject is scheduled to be tried on 11-13-61 for the alleged organization of an expedition against Cuba in October, 1960. He now resides in Paterson, New Jersey, with his brother, Raimundo Masferrer.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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ReBulet to AAG J. WALTER YEAGLEY, 9/29/61.

The following information is being submitted
in order that the Department can be made aware of the
availability of witnesses in abovecaptioned matter.

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Mr. Simpson

Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

October 12, 1961

Director, FBI

BOLANDO ARCADIO MASFERER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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DATE 7/13/81 BY 2843 PML/GAL/MS

Reference is made to my memorandum dated
September 29, 1961, concerning the availability and
willingness to testify of [REDACTED]

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As additional information is received concerning
the availability of the above two witnesses, you will be
advised.

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2 - Miami (SEE NOTE TO MIAMI, PAGE TWO) (2-156)

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Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

ATTENTION: SAC, MIAMI

Reurairtel dated October 6, 1961.

Any information concerning the availability of the above witnesses obtained by your office should be immediately furnished to the Bureau for transmittal to the Department.

FBI

Date: 10/13/61

Transmit the following in AIRTEL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NM

Rebulet to AAG J. WALTER YEAGLEY, 10/12/61.

No change re availability of witnesses. Additional info will be forwarded immediately.

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Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 10/20/61

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)

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NM
(OO: Miami)

ReBulet to AAG J. WALTER YEAGLEY, 10/12/61.

No change re availability of witnesses. Additional
info will be forwarded immediately upon receipt.

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Approved: [Signature]

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Date: 10/20/61

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(Type in plain text or code)Via AIRTEL REGISTERED
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEWARK (97-315)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO MASFERRER
IS - CUBA
RA - CUBA

Re Newark airtel to Bureau dated 10/3/61.

Enclosed to the Bureau are ten copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

10 ENCLOSURE

3 Bureau (RM) (Enc. 10)

1 Miami (Info) (Enc. 1) (RM)

1 WFO (Info) (Enc. 1) (RM)

2 Newark

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Approved: Perry
Special Agent in Charge

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1 - Mr. Simpson

October 25, 1961

Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley
Director, FBI

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

There is enclosed one copy of a memorandum dated October 20, 1961, at Newark, New Jersey, entitled "Rolando Masferrer, Internal Security - Cuba, Registration Act - Cuba."

This memorandum is furnished for your information and consideration in connection with subject's trial, which is scheduled for November 13, 1961.

Enclosure

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Date: 10/28/61

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Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Evans	_____
Mr. Malone	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Ingram	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

TO: Director, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, Miami (2-156)

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NM
OO - Miami

ReBulet to AAG J. WALTER YEAGLEY, 10/12/61.

No change re availability of witnesses. Additional
info will be forwarded immediately upon receipt. *an*

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Date: 10-27-61

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Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Evans	_____
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DATE 8-24-81

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

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FROM SAC, WFO (2-100) (RUC)

BY SP6JAL/oms

ROLANDO MASFERRER

IS-CUBA

RA-CUBA

(OO: NK)

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REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2

DATE OF REVIEW 10/27/91

Re WFO airtel and letterhead memorandum to the
Director, 10-24-61. u

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No investigation contemplated by WFO. u

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2 - Newark

1 - WFO (2-100)

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Special Agent in Charge

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FBI

Date: 10/24/61

Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Mohr
Mr. Callahan
Mr. Conrad
Mr. DeLoach
Mr. Evans
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, WFO (2-270)

ROLANDO MASFERRER
IS - CUBA
RA - CUBA
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ReNYairtel and letterhead memo dated 10/20/61, captioned as above.

Enclosed are nine copies to the Bureau, three to Newark, and one to Miami for info of a letterhead memo dated and captioned as above.

[REDACTED]

- 3 - Bureau (Encl. 9)
- 3 - Newark (Encl. 3)
- 1 - Miami (2-156) (Encl. 1) (Info) (RM)
- 1 - WFO

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1 - Mr. Simpson

Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

October 30, 1961

Director, FBI

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

(b2d) Reference is made to my letter dated October 25, 1961, with which was enclosed a copy of a memorandum dated October 20, 1961, at Newark, New Jersey, furnishing information from [REDACTED]

There is enclosed a copy of a memorandum dated October 24, 1961, captioned "Rolando Masferrer", Internal Security - Cuba, Registration Act - Cuba," which contains substantially the same information as contained in the memorandum mentioned above. [REDACTED]

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Assistant Attorney General
J. Walter Yeagley

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Subject's trial for violation of neutrality statutes is scheduled for November 13, 1961, and the Department is being kept advised of current activities of subject in the event his current activities may be pertinent in the forthcoming trial. Information in the attached memorandum was sent to the Department on October 20, 1961.

(b7d)

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To: SAC, New York
2 - Miami (Enclosures - 6)
2 - WFO

From: Director, FBI

PARTIDO DEMOCRATICO DOMINICANO
IS - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
REGISTRATION ACT - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Re WFO airtels dated 10/24 and 10/27/61 each with
letterhead and informant evaluation memoranda attached entitled
"Dominican Revolutionary Activities, IS - Dominican Republic."

New York should immediately initiate investigation
of captioned organization to determine nature of its activities.
Its leaders and members should be identified, extent of any
communist or Castro influence should be determined if possible,
and it should also be determined whether organization's activities
are in violation of the neutrality laws or of the Foreign Agents
Registration Act of 1938, as amended.

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- 1 - 105-77731 (Dominican Revolutionary Activities)
- ① - 2-1622 (Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas)
- 1 - 109-283 (Marcos Perez Jimenez)
- 1 - 105-99771 (Diego Bordas)

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Airtel to SAC, New York
Re: PARTIDO DEMOCRATICO DOMINICANO

expeditiously furnish any information developed concerning such a meeting and, if possible, the subject matter discussed. Miami should be alert for any information which might have a bearing on cases pending against Perez Jimenez and Masferrer.

For Miami's assistance, there is enclosed a copy of each of referenced airtels together with attached letterhead memorandum and informant reliability memorandum.

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(b7d)

WFO should maintain contact [redacted] promptly report any additional information pertinent to this matter to the Bureau and any interested offices. Results of investigations by Miami, New York and WFO should be furnished in report form unless the nature of information developed requires that Bureau be more expeditiously advised. New York is designated origin in captioned matter.

NOTE: WFO letterhead has been disseminated to State, CIA, OSI, ONI, ACSI and The Internal Security Division of the Department. Information contained therein is the subject of memorandum, Donahoe to Sullivan, dated 10/30/61.

(b7c)
(b7d)



In its memorandum of 10/27/61, WFO reported that Bordas had gone to Bermuda on a matter of interest to Masferrer and had returned to United States on 10/25/61. He thereafter

Airtel to SAC, New York
Re: PARTIDO DEMOCRATICO DOMINICANO

NOTE CONTINUED:

(b2d) contacted Quares Ginebra, Dominican Consul General, and reported on his Bermuda trip.

JINANE is presently under deportation proceedings in Miami, basis being charges filed against him by the Venezuelan Government.

Dissemination has also been made to the Criminal Division of the Department.

F B I

Date: 11/3/61

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

NM

(OO: Miami)

ReBulet to AAG J. WALTER YEAGLEY, 10/12/61.

No change re availability witnesses. Additional
info will be forwarded immediately upon receipt.P
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Approved: [Signature]
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1 - Mr. Simpson

SAC, Miami

November 7, 1961

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Director, FBI (2-1622) — 136

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

There are enclosed for your information two copies of a memorandum from the Department dated November 2, 1961, indicating that the Department does not believe that a successful prosecution could be realized in this case and that the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida has been authorized to move for the dismissal of the indictment.

You are instructed to closely follow this matter with the office of the United States Attorney and upon dismissal of the indictment submit a closing report in this case.

Enclosures (2)

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Masferrer was indicted in the Southern District of Florida for violation of Section 960, Title 18, United States Code, for the organizing of an expedition against Cuba in October, 1960. This case was scheduled for trial on November 13, 1961.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WCS*

DATE: 11-7-61

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner *FJB*SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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This memorandum is prepared to advise that the Department has decided not to prosecute Masferrer for a violation of the neutrality statutes and will dismiss the indictment against him.

Masferrer is a former Cuban Senator during the Batista regime, and after Castro took over the Cuban Government, Masferrer fled to the United States, thereafter, engaging in anti-Castro activities. In October, 1960, he allegedly formed an expedition which departed from Florida and landed on the Cuban coast. Practically all of the members of this expedition were killed or captured by the Cuban Government. After presenting this matter to the Department, it authorized complete investigation of this incident for violation of neutrality statutes within our jurisdiction. Following our investigation, the Department obtained an indictment against Masferrer on 4-10-61 in the Southern District of Florida charging him with a violation of Section 960, Title 18, United States Code, for the organizing of the above expedition against Cuba. This case was subsequently set for trial on 11-13-61.

By letter dated 11-2-61, the Internal Security Division of the Department advised that on the basis of the evidence which is now available, it did not believe that a successful prosecution of this case could be realized. The Department stated it had authorized the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida to move the court for a dismissal of the indictment.

ACTION:

None. This is submitted for your information and to advise of the action of the Department.

2-1622

- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Simpson

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622) APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
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DATE 8-27-81
ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS 7/13/81
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Note this is address of WILLIAM OTIS FULLER, father of ROBERT FULLER who was executed by Cuban Govt. after capture following 9/60 invasion attempt sponsored by MASFERRER.

[REDACTED]

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Records INS, Miami, reflect MASFERRER is staying at 1900 S.W. 21st Ter., Miami, his former address.

Foregoing furnished INS, Miami, who advised they do not plan any action at this time.

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Bureau requested ascertain from Dept. if trial scheduled for 11/13/61 will be handled by Departmental attorney or office of U.S.A., Miami, noting USA, Miami, has not been furnished reports in this matter.

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*No action necessary
Dept has decided not
to prosecute. Miami
advised by Bufile
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Date: 10/24/61

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-77731)

FROM: SAC, WFO (105-31191)

DOMINICAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
IS - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
(OO:NY)

Rolando O. MASTERKEL

Enclosed are nine copies to the Bureau, ~~two~~ ^{one} copies
to New York and one copy to Newark for information of a
letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above, together
with its memorandum of evaluation.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] would keep the FBI advised on
any additional information received by him relating to the
information set forth in the enclosure.

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identities are contained in
this document is furnished
reliable information in the past.

Memo. Dup. to Sullivan

Approved: 37
67 NOV 24 1961 Special Agent in Charge

Sent 10/30/61 M Per MAKES

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WFO 105-21191

The enclosed letterhead memorandum is classified "Confidential" since the data reported could reasonably result in the identification of confidential informants of continuing value and compromise the future effectiveness thereof.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
October 24, 1961

DOMINICAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] of the Bordas Corporation, described by [REDACTED] as a
shipping company plying between the United States, Puerto
Rico and other countries.

[REDACTED] that Diego Bordas
was President of the Bordas Corporation, 93 Front Street,
New York City. This corporation functions as an importer
and sales agency for cement and coffee from Colombia, South
America.

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Diego Bordas
is reported to have received the sum of \$350,000 from the
Dominican Republic for the purpose of establishing a political
party in the Dominican Republic. This party will be ostensibly
an opposition party, but will be actually directed and controlled
by the Dominican Republic. This party will be known as the
"Partido Democratico Dominicano".

The meeting centered around a plan to establish
a coup d' etat in the Dominican Republic as soon as it was
indicated to them that the ruling Trujillo family had departed
the Dominican Republic in view of the current unstable political
situation.

In connection with the plan for the coup d' etat,
[REDACTED] furnished the following information:

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP(S) OF [REDACTED]
DATE 8-29-81 [REDACTED] and
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DOMINICAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

(b7d) [REDACTED] the group which met at the Eordas Corporation has approximately one hundred men who are standing by in the Dominican Republic and will remain inactive until the Trujillo family departs the Dominican Republic, at a given time not known to the informants. There will be an uprising by the one hundred men in the city known as Puerto Plata which is located in the north central section of the Dominican Republic. This small group of one hundred men are counting on the assistance of at least two Dominican Army officials who are in agreement to establish a coup d'etat and who control a large segment of the Dominican Army. If the uprising in Puerto Plata is successful, it is hoped that it will become a rallying point for the successful establishment of a new government.

(b7d) [REDACTED] could furnish no additional information concerning the above matter.

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Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 11/29/61

Masferrer is former Cuban senator, a refugee in United States, active in anti-Castro activities. Masferrer indicted early 1961 for forming military expedition from United States to Cuba 10-60. Indictment dismissed 11-61 as Department believed evidence insufficient for successful prosecution.

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Miss Gandy

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622) AND SACS, MIAMI, NEWARK
AND NEW YORK

FROM: SAC, WFO (2-270)

ROLANDO MASFERRER, INTERNAL SECURITY ~~REDACTED~~ CUBA, NEUTRALITY
MATTER. ~~REDACTED~~

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[REDACTED] MIAMI REMAIN ALERT [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AND FURNISH BUREAU, INTERESTED OFFICES AND CUSTOMS
WITH RESULTS. AIRTEL, LETTERHEAD MEMO FOLLOWS.

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Special Agent in Charge

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /2-1622/, SAC-S NEWARK, NEW YORK AND WFO
NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/ TWO PAGES

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Singapore
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : SAC, WFO (2-270)

ROLANDO MASFERRER
IS - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTER
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ReWFOtel to Director dated 11/29/61, captioned as
above.

Enclosed are nine copies to the Bureau and one copy
each for Miami, Newark, and New York of a letterhead memo dated
and captioned as above. WFO is also furnishing one copy of
the letterhead memo to the Bureau of Customs, locally.

For information of the Bureau and interested offices.

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WFO indices were not checked with regard to the individuals [REDACTED] due to the lack of identifying data in connection with each name.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)
FROM: SAC, NEWARK (97-315) (P)
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Re WFO teletype 11/29/61, WFO airtel 12/1/61, and
Miami teletype 12/7/61.

Enclosed are ten copies to the Bureau, three copies
to Miami, and two copies each to New York and WFO of a letterhead
memo dated and captioned as above.

[REDACTED] advised that the organization
collecting funds for the purchase of rifles referred to by
him as "UR" was "Un Rifle" rather than "Unidad Revolucionaria."

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See memo to page 2

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REPORTING OFFICE MIAMI	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEWARK	DATE JAN 5 1962	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 4023-12/7/61
TITLE OF CASE ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] (b7c)	TYPED BY neb
		CHARACTER OF CASE NM	

REFERENCE: Miami airtel to Bureau, 11/8/61;
Bulet to Miami, 11/7/61, with enclosures;
Miami teletype to Bureau, 12/7/61.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

A close liaison has been maintained on a current basis with all interested United States agencies. U. S. Customs, Miami, Florida, advised they were aware of arrival of ANGEL SAAVEDRA, and believed they had sufficient coverage concerning his mission to Miami.

Information copy is being furnished to Washington Field Office for completion of their file in this matter.

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A new case captioned, "UN RIFLE (UR) (ONE RIFLE), IS - CUBA - NM" (Miami File 105-5003), has been opened to cover the activities of the collection of rifles and money in the Miami area at the request of MASFERRER.

Investigation concerning DIEGO BORDAS and Dominican revolutionary activities has been reported in Miami File 105-1084 (Bufile 105-77731.)

Report is classified CONFIDENTIAL, since information from informants reported herein could reasonably result in identification of confidential informants of continuing value, and compromise the future effectiveness thereof.

Copies of this report are being included for Miami Files 105-2234 (ALVAREZ), 105-2913 (FERIA), and 105-1974 (ALIEGRO). Subjects of these files were also listed in the indictment, charged as co-conspirators, but not defendants, since indictment was dismissed.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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1 - U. S. BORDER PATROL, MIAMI (RM) CHARLESTON, S. C.
1 - U. S. CUSTOMS, MIAMI (RM) 1 - OSI, ROBINS AFB (RM)
[REDACTED] 1 - G-2, FT. MCPHERSON, GA. (RM)
[REDACTED] 1 - INS, NEWARK (RM)

Report of:
Date:

JAN 5 1962

Office: MIAMI, FLORIDA

Field Office File #: 2-156

Bureau File #: 2-1622

Title: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character: NEUTRALITY MATTERS

7/15/61
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DATE OF REVIEW 11/5/82

Synopsis:

On 5/1/61, ROLANDO MASFERRER arrested on bench warrant by U. S. Marshal, U. S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, Miami, Fla., for violation Section 960, Title 18, U. S. Code (Neutrality Matters,) immediately upon his release by INS, Miami, in whose custody he had been under detention. Thereafter, MASFERRER was released the same day on \$1,000.00 bond. He was arraigned 5/5/61 before U. S. District Judge, U. S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, and entered plea of not guilty. In 7/61, MASFERRER reportedly was in Key West, Fla., writing a book about Communist infiltration in Cuban government. On 7/25/61, MASFERRER voluntarily surrendered himself to INS, and he was placed under detention until 7/31/61, when he was again paroled by INS, in order to move to Paterson, N. J. On 8/11/61, MASFERRER resided in Paterson, N. J., with his brother RAIMUNDO MASFERRER. On 11/9/61, Order for Dismissal of the indictment against MASFERRER filed in U. S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, per authorization of Attorney General, who believed successful prosecution of this matter could not be realized on available evidence. On 11/14/61, MASFERRER returned to Paterson, N. J., where he currently resides. While in Miami on 11/7/61, MASFERRER requested all women with relatives who participated in the 4/17/61 ill-fated invasion of Cuba to furnish him with a Springfield rifle or \$15.00, its approximate cost. Rifles were to be taken to home of WILLIAM OTIS FULLER, Miami, father of ROBERT FULLER,

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~**Synopsis continued:**

American executed by FIDEL CASTRO revolutionary government of Cuba, for participation in the MASFERRER-sponsored invasion of Cuba, 9/60. Operation of collecting rifles at request of MASFERRER known as "Un Rifle" (UR) (One Rifle). ANGEL SAAVEDRA in Miami approximately 12/26/61, possibly at request of MASFERRER, allegedly to acquire arms for use of underground in Cuba.

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On April 25, 1961, EDWARD P. AHRENS, District Director, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Miami, Florida, advised that ROLANDO MASFERRER was under detention by INS, Miami, under 24-hour guard, and unable to have any visitors. Mr. AHRENS further advised a detainer had been filed requesting the arrest of MASFERRER, based on a bench warrant issued in the United States District Court, Southern District of Florida, at Miami, charging MASFERRER with conspiracy to violate Section 960, Title 18, United States Code (Neutrality Matter).

On April 25, 1961, Mr. AHRENS advised that MASFERRER personally appeared before United States District Judge EMMETT C. CHOATE, in the United States District Court, Southern District of Florida. At this time, Judge CHOATE entered a permanent injunction against INS, and INS was enjoined from keeping MASFERRER under detention while under exclusion proceedings. This exclusion was to become effective at 10:00 a.m., May 1, 1961, said delay of effective date being made in order to allow INS sufficient time to present the matter before the United States Circuit Court of Appeals. United States District Judge CHOATE stated that the immigration authorities could not hold a man in custody indefinitely under exclusion proceedings, and directed permanent injunction.

On April 28, 1961, Mr. AHRENS advised that United States Circuit Court Judge JONES refused an Order of Stay in the immigration matter, which was set for hearing before the full Circuit Court of Appeals, at New Orleans, May 16, 1961. Mr. AHRENS advised that MASFERRER would be released at 10:00 a.m., on May 1, 1961, unless they were able to present new evidence to have the stay continued.

On May 1, 1961, Mr. AHRENS advised that ROLANDO MASFERRER was released at 10:00 a.m. on this date by order of United States District Judge EMMETT C. CHOATE, United States District Court, Southern District of Florida. He stated at that time the immigration matter would be presented before the Circuit Court of Appeals, New Orleans, on May 16, 1961.

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[REDACTED] (b7c)
United States District Court, Southern District of Florida, on May 1, 1961, advised ROLANDO MASFERRER was arrested on a bench warrant for the violation of Neutrality Matter, immediately upon his release by INS. MASFERRER immediately thereafter was released on \$1,000.00 bond on the Neutrality Matter charge, which was furnished by JOE HAMMER, professional bondsman, Miami, Florida,

On May 5, 1961, ROLANDO MASFERRER was arraigned before United States District Judge WILLIAM A. McRAE, JR., United States District Court, Southern District of Florida, Miami, Florida, at which time he entered a plea of not guilty. MONROE GELB, attorney for MASFERRER, requested an additional 30 days in order to prepare the necessary briefs and motions in answer to the indictment of April 10, 1961. This extension of time was granted by Judge McRAE. After this proceeding, GELB advised Special Agent [REDACTED] that if this matter should go to trial, he would subpoena the President of the United States, Secretary of State, Attorney General, and Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization Service. (b7c)

On June 8, 1961, ARTHUR LAZELL, Special Assistant to the Director of the Cuban Refugee Center, Miami, advised that MASFERRER had received an initial payment of \$99.00. LAZELL stated that relief for subsistence is granted to Cubans in the Miami area who are unable to support themselves, and that each case is based on its own merits. LAZELL related MASFERRER's case was pending for further evaluation of his actual need for financial assistance. He continued that MASFERRER might receive additional financial assistance in the future, provided he could establish eligibility for such aid.

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On July 25, 1961, Mr. EDWARD P. AHRENS, District Director, INS, Miami, advised that pursuant to an order by the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, New Orleans, Louisiana, on June 30, 1961, MASFERRER was ordered to surrender to the custody of District Director AHRENS, INS, Miami, on July 27, 1961. This order was directed by United States District Judge EMMETT C. CHOATE, Miami, on July 24, 1961. On July 27, 1961, Mr. AHRENS advised that ROLANDO MASFERRER voluntarily surrendered himself to INS, Miami, as of that date. He was then placed under detention at the United States Immigration Border Patrol headquarters, Miami.

On the same date, Mr. AHRENS further advised that MASFERRER's attorney, MONROE GELB, requested his release, if MASFERRER agreed to move to another locality. GELB indicated MASFERRER requested permission to live in Paterson, New Jersey, where his brother RAIMUNDO resided.

On July 31, 1961, Mr. AHRENS advised that ROLANDO MASFERRER had been reparaoled, in order to move to Paterson, New Jersey.

On August 11, 1961, INS, Newark, New Jersey, advised that ROLANDO MASFERRER had registered with that office as a Cuban alien, and was residing with his brother RAIMUNDO MASFERRER at 64 Pearl Street, Paterson, New Jersey.

On September 15, 1961, Mr. AHRENS advised that he had received a letter from Attorney GELB dated September 13, 1961, in which it was indicated that trial

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of ROLANDO MASFERRER for violation of Neutrality Matters was set for November 13, 1961. GELB requested advice from INS, Miami, as to the proper procedure which should be pursued in order for MASFERRER to be granted permission to come to Miami,

J. WALTER YEAGLEY, Assistant Attorney General, Internal Security Division, United States Department of Justice, on November 2, 1961, advised that his office had authorized the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida to move the United States District Court for dismissal of the indictment against ROLANDO MASFERRER. The memorandum stated that after careful examination of the evidence in this case, the Department of Justice had concluded that on the basis of the evidence which was available, a successful prosecution of this matter could not be realized.

On November 9, 1961, an Order for Dismissal of the indictment was filed in the United States District Court, Southern District of Florida. This order reflected that the United States dismissed the indictment against MASFERRER per authorization of the Attorney General on October 30, 1961, which was presented by Administrative Assistant United States Attorney EDITH M. HOUSE before United States District Judge DAVID W. DYER, United States District Court, Southern District of Florida. The indictment also charged as co-conspirators, but not defendants, ARMENTINO PERIA PEREZ, aka. "El Indio;" JULIO FERNANDEZ TREVEJO; ANSELMO ALIEGRO; FRANKLIN JOSEPH WILLIAMS; HORACIO CANIZARES; SANTIAGO ALVAREZ; and (FNU) CARTAYA.

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[REDACTED] advised that former Cuban Senator ROLANDO MASFERRER claims to have approximately 5,000 loyal men in the mountains of the Oriente Province, Cuba, who are prepared to fight against the present Cuban Government of Prime Minister FIDEL CASTRO.

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[REDACTED] MASFERRER has been in contact with the President of Nicaragua, LUIS SOMOZA, who has a quantity of arms received from the United States and has promised to furnish these arms to MASFERRER, if MASFERRER can obtain the approval of the United States government in carrying out his plan against CASTRO. [REDACTED] SOMOZA has in his possession approximately 600 Urmí sub-machine guns which he received from the United States. They were manufactured by the Government of Israel.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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JAN 5 1962

Miami, Florida

Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER
ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

(b7c) Reference is made to the report of
Special Agent [REDACTED] at Miami, dated and
captioned as above. U

All sources (except any listed below) used
in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past. U

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information from which to determine
his reliability. U

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SAC, Newark

January 16, 1962

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Director, FBI 2-1622-143

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NEUTRALITY MATTERS

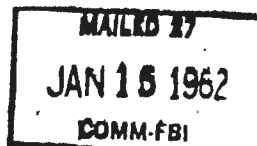
(b7c) Rec'd [redacted] dated January 8, 1962,
at Miami. *mt*

The neutrality aspects of this investigation have been resolved and the investigation concerning this matter has been completed; therefore, the character "Neutrality Matters" should be deleted from future correspondence relating to captioned individual. In the event any additional inquiries concerning him are conducted, they should be reported under the character "Internal Security - Cuba" unless, of course, your office develops information indicating his activities may possibly be in violation of neutrality statutes under our jurisdiction.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, NEWARK (97-315) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTER

(b7c) Re report of SA [REDACTED] dated 1/5/62 at Miami.

Enclosed are ten copies to the Bureau, two copies to WFO and one copy each to New York and Miami of a letterhead memo dated and captioned as above.

(b7c) 4-Bureau (Enc. 10)

2-WFO (Enc. 2) (2-270)

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(b7d) | The enclosed memo is classified confidential inasmuch as the unauthorized disclosure of the information [REDACTED] could be contrary to the best interests of the National Defense.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, NEWARK (97-315) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA
(OO: NEWARK)

Re Newark airtel to Director 1/9/62.

Enclosed to the Bureau are nine copies, and to New York and Miami two and one copies, respectively, of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

[REDACTED] the names of the organizations represented at the meeting 2/23/62, and the identities of the speakers were furnished to the representatives of the Bureau of Special Services, NYC PD who were in attendance.

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INS, New York and other sources, attempt to locate and verify the subject's residence in Brooklyn.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Newark, New Jersey
February 28, 1962

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

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On Sunday, February 25, 1962, a public meeting of anti-Castro Cubans was convoked in New York City.

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The meeting was held under the name "Unidos Revolucionarios" from about 2:50 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Empire Hotel, 63rd and Broadway, New York City. About 400 persons were in attendance.

The purpose of the meeting was to raise money to be used to purchase arms for the fight against the Castro Government.

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All those who spoke stressed the need for unity among the numerous anti-Castro organizations and emphasized the necessity for more positive action in the struggle against Castro-Communism.

[REDACTED] Masferrer's wife and children have recently come to New York from Miami, Florida to live with him. He has recently rented an apartment in Brooklyn where they are now residing.

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Memorandum

TO :

DATE: 3/15/62

DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM :

SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (RUC)

SUBJECT:

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-CUBA

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ROLANDO MASFERRER on 3/6/62, during the course of another investigation, was contacted and he advised that officially his residence is 309 Straight St., Patterson, New Jersey, but he recently took a NY residence which is 395 Clinton St., Apartment 6E, Brooklyn, NY. MASFERRER stated that he can be contacted through telephone #ST 9-0586.

Recently ROLANDO MASFERRER has been assisting DIEGO GONZALEZ and JUAN BRAS of the radio program "The Voice of Free Cuba" and MASFERRER can be contacted through the office of the Voice of Radio Free Cuba which is currently located at 756 7th Ave., Room 503, NYC, telephone #JU 6-4163.

MASFERRER on 3/6/62, advised that according to his terms of parole he must report to INS, Newark every Monday morning which he has been doing.

- (2) - Bureau (2-1622) (RM)
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- 1 - Newark (97-315) (RM)
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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 8/9/62

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER y ROJAS
IS-CUBA; NM

Enclosed herewith are 11 copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

The memorandum, referred to in letterhead memorandum, was translated from Spanish to English by SA [REDACTED]

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRE ROJAS
IS - CUBA

Enclosed for each recipient is copy of Intra-State Department memorandum dated March 21, 1962, concerning captioned individual. Each office will alert sources and informants to promptly report subject's activities in this matter. Keep Bureau currently advised of all developments.

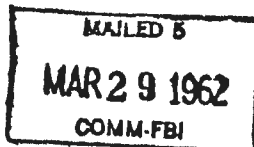
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NOTE:

Subject is well-known Batista follower and anti-Castro individual. Reportedly, Cuban exile groups in New York led by subject are mounting an anti-American and anti-Cuban Revolutionary Council campaign. Groups have planned hunger strikes at UN and march on Washington with climax to take place April 17, 1962. A New York radio program has been carrying sustained program calling for arms for Cuban exiles to wage war against Castro, and subject is suspected of being involved.



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE:

4/5/62

FROM: *[Signature]*
SUBJECT:

SAC, NEWARK (97-315) (RUC)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA
(OO: NY)

INT [Signature] Simpson

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[REDACTED]
advised that the subject is presently residing at 309 Clinton St., Brooklyn, N. Y. and is employed with the anti-CASTRO Spanish newspaper "El Cubano Libre" with offices located at 758 7th Ave., Room 503, New York City.
[REDACTED]

On 3/21/62, RAIMUNDO MASFERRER, brother of the subject, advised that the subject receives mail at his address, 309 Straight St., but does not maintain residence there. He stated the subject's wife recently came to New York from Florida and they have rented an apartment at 395 Clinton St., Brooklyn where the subject now resides.

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On 3/30/62, [REDACTED] INS, Newark, N. J., advised that INS now recognizes the subject's official residence at NYC and his INS file has recently been transferred to their New York Office.

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In view of the subject's present residence and employment in the New York Division, New York is being considered the new office of origin.

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Enclosed herewith for the New York Office are the following pertinent serials in this matter not in possession of New York:

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- 2 - New York (105-38120) (Enc. 11) (RM)
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Newark airtel to Bureau with enclosed letterhead memorandum dated 10/20/61;

Washington Field airtel to Bureau with enclosed letterhead memorandum dated 10/24/61;

Washington Field airtel to Bureau dated 10/27/61;

Memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 10/27/61;

Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 1/5/62 at Miami;

Newark letter to Bureau dated 1/16/62;

Bureau letter to Newark dated 1/16/62;

Newark teletype to Bureau dated 1/30/62, captioned
[REDACTED]

Memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 2/2/62.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 4/9/62

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
(OO:NEWARK)

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ROLANDO MASFERRER on 4/4/62, advised that he had been informed by INS, Newark, that his file was transferred to INS, NYC, and he was instructed to report to INS, NEC, on the first Monday of each month. MASFERRER also stated that INS, Newark, had granted him permission to travel to Miami, Florida, for one week which he intended to do but due to financial difficulties was unable to travel now as he was awaiting an advance of funds from STANLEY ROSS, from whom

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- 2- Bureau (2-1622) (RM)
- 1- Miami (2-156) (INFO) (RM)
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- 1- New York (105-38120)

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he gets \$25.00 for each article written by him which is published in "El Diario de Nueva York".

MASFERRER on 4/4/62, advised that he would keep the NYO informed of his plans and would notify them prior to his departure for Miami, and when in Miami, he intended to get in contact with the Miami Office.

The above is being submitted for the information of the Bureau and interested offices.

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Date: 4/10/62

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Via AIRTEL

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (109-584)
(2-1622)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-35253)
(105-38120)

SUBJECT: ANTI-FIDEL CASTRO ACTIVITIES
IS - CUBA

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA

ReBulet to Newark with enclosure from State Department
dated 3/30/62, captioned "ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS;
IS - CUBA."

Enclosed herewith for the information of the Bureau
are twelve copies of a letterhead memorandum setting forth
information concerning above-captioned subject matters.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York
April 10, 1962

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Re: Anti-Fidel Castro Activities
Internal Security - Cuba

Rolando Azcadio Masferrer Rojas
Internal Security - Cuba

The United States Department of State, by memorandum dated March 21, 1962, advised that they were in receipt of information that Cuban exile groups in New York led by a former Batista Senator, Rolando Masferrer, were mounting an anti-American and anti-Cuban Revolutionary Council campaign. The United States Department of State advised that they had been informed that groups were planning hunger strikes at the United Nations (UN) and a march on Washington would climax on April 17, 1962. The United States Department of State also advised that they had been informed that a Spanish language radio program in New York, Noticiario Pan Americano, had been carrying on a sustained program calling for arms for Cuban exiles to wage war against Fidel Castro. The United States Department of State advised that they were informed that these activities are well financed and that it is suspected that Rolando Masferrer is involved in these activities.

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Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas

[REDACTED] advised during the course of another investigation that [REDACTED] Cuban exile groups would picket in front of the White House from 2 to 4 PM on April 14, 1962. April 14, 1962, is Pan American Day and their purpose of picketing the White House is to remind President John F. Kennedy not to forget the Cuban exiles and his promises to them and also to ask for arms in order to fight the Government of Prime Minister Fidel Castro of Cuba.

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[REDACTED] advised that in addition to the picket of the White House in Washington on April 14, 1962, there would also be a demonstration by Cuban exiles in front of the UN Headquarters in New York City from 2 to 4 PM on April 14, 1962. [REDACTED] this demonstration would be in honor of Pan American Day to show the pro-American feeling of the Cuban exiles and the solidarity of the Western Hemisphere against Communism and also to request the Government of the United States to furnish arms in order for the Cuban exiles to overthrow the Government of Prime Minister Fidel Castro of Cuba.

[REDACTED] all anti-Castro organizations in the New York area would take part in the demonstration at the UN irregardless of their political affiliations. [REDACTED] it is hoped that between 4,000 and 5,000 Cuban exiles will demonstrate in New York on April 14, 1962.

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] they thought that about 200 people would travel from New York to Washington, D.C., and that they would also pick up Cuban exiles in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Baltimore, Maryland, and in Washington, D.C. [REDACTED] they hoped to have between 400 and 500 pickets take part in the demonstration before the White House on April 14, 1962. [REDACTED] there is no individual or group which is financing any of this activity as it is all being done on a voluntary basis. [REDACTED] the newsreel company known as "El Pan Americano" was the sponsoring organization of these demonstrations.

[REDACTED]
the demonstration scheduled for April 14, 1962, before the UN Headquarters in New York City is being arranged under the auspices of [REDACTED] "El Pan Americano". [REDACTED] El Pan Americano makes newsreels for distribution in Central and South America and they have decided that demonstrations should be held throughout this hemisphere in order to manifest the solidarity of the nations of this hemisphere against Communism and also to be a means of bringing together the various exile Cuban organizations.

[REDACTED] Dr. Eduardo Palmer, who is the director of El Pan Americano, is making the arrangements for the demonstrations throughout the hemisphere. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Palmer, had received the approval of the Cuban

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Revolutionary Council which is headed by Dr. Jose Miro Cardona. [REDACTED] that the idea of spontaneous and simultaneous demonstrations on Pan American Day has caught the fancy of the Latin Americans and it is expected that there will be large turnouts in every city where the demonstrations are to be held and where there is a fairly large Cuban population. [REDACTED] arrangements have already been made for demonstrations to take place on April 14, 1962, in Boston, New York, Miami, Los Angeles, Houston, San Juan, Puerto Rico, Caracas, Venezuela, and Madrid, Spain.

[REDACTED] invitations have been extended to all Latin Americans to participate in these demonstrations, but particularly to all exile Cuban organizations and all demonstrations are to be of a peaceful nature and the purpose is to express the solidarity of the hemisphere against Communism and also to ask the American people and the American Government for arms with which to fight the Communist Government of Prime Minister Fidel Castro of Cuba. [REDACTED] these demonstrations are not being handled by any particular political or revolutionary groups among the Cuban exiles and no individual is supplying any money toward these demonstrations. [REDACTED] Spanish radio programs in New York City are donating free time to publicize these demonstrations.

[REDACTED] Rolando Masferrer, former Cuban Senator during the presidency of ex-Cuban President Fulgencio Batista Zaldivar, is not involved in these demonstrations but he is welcome to participate as are all Cuban exiles irregardless of their political backgrounds.

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Anti-Fidel Castro Activities
Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas

Rolando Masferrer Rojas, 395 Clinton Street, Brooklyn, New York, advised on April 4, 1962, that he is in no way connected with preparations for the Pan American Day demonstrations scheduled for April 14, 1962. Masferrer stated that as a Cuban exile he would participate in these demonstrations and, in particular, would be present at the demonstration to be held in New York City in front of the headquarters of the UN. Masferrer stated that he in no way has contributed financially to the preparations for these demonstrations and, in fact, was in such a financial condition that he is unable to contribute financially to any cause. Masferrer also stated that the purpose of these demonstrations scheduled for various cities in the United States and elsewhere on April 14, 1962, are not anti-American in nature but are very pro-American and are to manifest the solidarity of Latin nations toward the United States. Masferrer also stated that the Cuban exile groups would be demonstrating in order to bring to the attention of the American public and to remind the United States Government of the Cuban situation and to ask for guns in order to fight Prime Minister Fidel Castro of Cuba.

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER y ROJAS
IS-CUBA;
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INT [signature]

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, former Cuban Senator, advised this date that he had been called by BENJAMIN MANDEL, General Counsel for the Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate, to appear before the Subcommittee at 10:30 A.M., on 4/26/62. MASFERRER advised that he would leave early on the morning of 4/26/62 and would report to the new Senate Building, Room 3224, and after his appearance would notify the NYO of details.

(b-1) [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 4 MAY 1962

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38720)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

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105-105638
(UN RIFLE)*

ReNYlet, 4/9/62 and New York airtel, 4/10/62.

INS, NYC, on 4/16/62, advised that ROLANDO MASFERRER, INS file A7197768, was now under the jurisdiction of INS, New York. INS authorized indefinite departure for ROLANDO MASFERRER on 4/4/62, and this authority was granted by [REDACTED] Deportation Branch, INS, NYC. (b7c)

INS Form I-161 furnished the NYO on 4/16/62, reflected that MASFERRER had arrived in the United States, Key West, Florida, on 1/1/59, not in the possession of a valid visa or valid passport. MASFERRER presently is residing with his wife and two children at 395 Clinton Street, Brooklyn, Apartment 6E. MASFERRER is required to appear in person the first Monday of each month or upon demand to the Deportation Office of INS at 20 West Broadway, NYC. MASFERRER is also required to notify INS of any contemplated change of address prior to the change and is not permitted to go outside the Metropolitan New York area without written permission in advance from the Deportation Office.

MASFERRER at the present time is unemployed but does receive money from STANLEY ROSS, Editor of "El Diario de Nueva York" for each article written by MASFERRER which is published. MASFERRER is paid \$25.00 for each article and recently has written several which appeared in this newspaper. *Cuba N.Y.*

- 2- Bureau (2-1622) (RM)
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MASFERRER has been contacted several times since he changed residence from New Jersey to New York, and in each contact with the NYO he has been most cooperative and has indicated a desire to assist in any way he could.

The NYO also is investigating the organization headed by ROLANDO MASFERRER under the caption of "UN RIFLE, aka Unidad Revolucionaria; IS-CUBA".

In view of the fact that the activities of MASFERRER are being followed in the investigation mentioned above, no further investigation will be conducted in this matter unless advised to the contrary and the individual case on MASFERRER will be placed in a closed status in the NYO.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

Reurlet 5/4/62 and Newark letter 4/5/62.

Recipient offices, except Newark, will carefully review their files to be certain that New York has all pertinent information concerning subject.

Bureau has no objection to your placing the subject's case in a closed status. However, in view of his long involvement in anti-Castro activities, you should alert appropriate sources and informants to keep your office apprised of any changes in the subject's residence and any activities he may become engaged in. Pertinent information concerning the subject should be submitted under his caption and, where appropriate, in a form suitable for dissemination in view of the interest of other Government agencies in his activities. Information concerning his organization, Un Rifle, should, of course, be submitted under that caption.

- 2 - Miami (2-156)
- 2 - WFO (2-270)
- 1 - Newark (97-315)

1 - 105-105638 (Un Rifle)

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NOTE:

New York, which is now origin in captioned matter, advised it was placing subject's case in closed status, but would follow his activities in connection with its investigation of his organization, which is presently pending. In view of Masferrer's long involvement in anti-Castro activities, it is believed we should have pertinent information concerning his personal activities and any changes of residence submitted under his caption.

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- Belmont _____
- Mohr _____
- Callahan _____
- Conrad _____
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER y ROJAS
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Re New York airtel 4/25/62.

ROLANDO MASFERRER advised on 4/27/62, that he had appeared before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee (SISS) at 10:30 a. m. on 4/26/62. MASFERRER stated that present at this session were Senators THOMAS J. DODD (Dem.-Conn.) and OLIN D. JOHNSTON (Dem.-S. Carolina) and J. D. SAURWINE, counsel, and BENJAMIN MANDEL, Director of Research.

MASFERRER stated he was extremely pleased with the manner in which the hearing was conducted and personally felt that the senators and those present were satisfied with his answers. MASFERRER stated that he was questioned concerning communism in Cuba; the infiltration of Communists into the Castro Government; the general anti-Castro activity in the United States; the general political feelings of the Cuban exiles in the United States with particular emphasis towards the Cuban Revolutionary Council.

MASFERRER stated that the major portion of his appearance before the SISS was devoted to questions concerning WILLIAM A. WIELAND who formerly headed the Mexican and Caribbean Desk of the United States Department of State. MASFERRER stated that the questions of the SISS regarding WIELAND centered about whether or not MASFERRER had personal knowledge of WIELAND being a Communist [REDACTED]

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Cleveland
- 1 - Mr. Coleman
- 1 - Mr. Egan

Mr. Evans

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W. V. Cleveland

WILLIAM ARTHUR WIELAND
Department of State
SECURITY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYERS

Rolando Masferrer testified in Executive Session before Senate Internal Security Subcommittee (SISS), 4-24-62. Copy of transcript now received from Subcommittee (attached).

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- 1 - 62-88217 - (SISS Control File) - Enc.
- 1 - 2-1622 (Rolando Masferrer)
- 1 - 100-342812 (Carlos Montenegro)
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Nationalities Intelligence Section
- 1 - Mr. Foorde - Rm. 840 RB

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Memorandum to Mr. Evans
RE: WILLIAM ARTHUR WIELAND

During investigation of Wieland, Masferrer stated he did not know Wieland and Wieland not related to Carlos Montenegro. (148-22779-238, 237)

Since Masferrer's arrival in the United States he has been active in numerous anti-Castro endeavors looking forward to overthrow of Castro. Because of his background and varied activity, Bureau following his activity. (2-1622)

Charles F. Pick, Jr., Chief, Division of Transportation Management, State Department, also testified in Executive Session before HISS 4-24-52. Pick stationed at U. S. Embassy, Havana, Cuba, as Administrative Officer. He testified that [REDACTED]

ACTION:

A copy of this memorandum and its attachment has been designated for the Nationalities Intelligence Section which has the cases involving Rolando Masferrer and Carlos Montenegro.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: MAY 23 1962

FROM : SAC, Miami (2-156) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS;
IS - CUBA.
(OO:NY)

UN RIFLE, aka. (UR) (ONE RIFLE);
IS - CUBA; NM.
(OO:NY)

ReBulet to Newark 3/30/62, and Bulet to New York 5/11/62, both captioned, "ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS; IS - CUBA."

Miami sources have been alerted to report promptly any information relating to the activities of the subject. To date, no information has been received indicating any activity on the part of subject or the organization of the subject, UN RIFLE, in the Miami area.

Inasmuch as MASFERRER is now residing in New York and the activities of his organization are centered there, it would appear logical that New York should also be office of origin regarding UN RIFLE.

No further investigation is contemplated by the Miami Office regarding either of the above captioned at this time. Any pertinent information received will be promptly furnished to the Bureau and the office of origin.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 5-29-62

FROM : *mkf*
gch SAC, WFO (2-270) (RUC)

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SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-CUBA
(OO:NY)

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New York.

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All the above sources advised they were aware of no
current activity on the part of the subject.

Any information received in the future concerning the
activities of subject will be reported to the Bureau and interested
offices.

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One copy of this communication is being furnished the
Newark Office in view of their interest in subject.

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1 - Newark (97-315) (Info) (RM)
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (109-584)

DATE: 6/15/62

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-35253)

SUBJECT: ANTI-FIDEL CASTRO ACTIVITIES
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- 1 - Miami (105-1742) (Info) (RM)
- 1 - Washington Field (105-29995) (Info) (RM)
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The above information is not being submitted in a form suitable for dissemination because the nature of the information reflects the interests of the US government and US officials and disclosure of this information could be detrimental to the best interests of the US.

W. C. Sullivan

6/21/62

W. R. Wannall

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ANTI-VIDEL CASTRO ACTIVITIES
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Memo Wannall to Sullivan
Re: ANTI-FIDEL CASTRO ACTIVITIES
109-584

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OBSERVATIONS:

It is believed information concerning Varona would be of interest to AG. Consideration has been given to furnishing AG with results [REDACTED] but since this data does not appear to be particularly significant, it is believed dissemination of the data to the AG is not warranted. Since the data concerning Masferrer's activities would be of interest to Customs, we are separately instructing New York Office to furnish it to Customs locally.

ACTION:

Attached is letter to AG setting forth the information concerning Varona. AG is being advised that in view of sensitive nature of the data, it is not being further disseminated.

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SAC, New York (105-35253)

June 22, 1962

Director, FBI (109-584)

ANTI-FIDEL CASTRO ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

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Furnish the allegations concerning Masferrer's gun-running activities mentioned on pages two and five of relet to Customs locally.

1 - Miami (105-1742)
1 - WFO (105-29995)

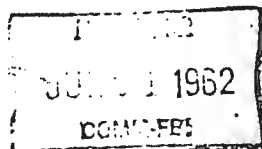
NOTE:

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(b7d) Memo Wannell to Sullivan 6/21/62 set forth information indicating [REDACTED] that Rolando Masferrer, a notorious Batista official, was allegedly supplying Cuban exiles with guns and equipment. This is matter within jurisdiction of Customs. We noted in memo that we were separately instructing New York Office to furnish the information concerning Masferrer's activities in this regard to Customs locally.

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Date: 6/27/62

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DATE 1-27-62

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)(P)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

IS - CUBA;

(OO: New York)

UN RIFLE, aka (UR)(One Rifle)

IS - CUBA; NM

(OO: New York)

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Special Agent in Charge

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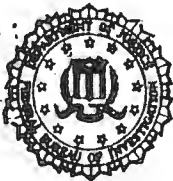
Miami has alerted sources and will attempt to determine if alleged arms delivery did take place.

Copies of this letterhead memo have been disseminated locally to Customs and Border Patrol.

referred | [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida

June 27, 1962

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

2-156

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RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

UN RIFLE
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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Re: Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas

Un Rifle

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TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 7/30/62

FROM : W. R. Wannall

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DATE 7/14/81 BY 2042 RMD/ALM/S

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Army on 7/25/62 advised that on 6/23/62 source of unknown reliability reported that former Cuban President Batista was allegedly sponsoring and financing military training of Cuban exiles in U.S. Reportedly, three anti-Castro guerilla training camps have been established in various U.S. localities by Batista's son, Ruben Batista Godinez. The subject was identified as the military chief directing the operation. Recruitment is allegedly being handled by individuals in New Orleans, Louisiana, and Miami, Florida, and recruits are reportedly given \$200 bonus upon enlistment.

Subject is notorious Batista official presently in exile in U.S. Since his arrival in this country he has been active in numerous anti-Castro endeavors aimed at overthrowing Castro and he has been previously investigated for possible violation of Neutrality Statutes within our jurisdiction.

We have received no information indicating Batista and his son are involved in training Cuban exiles as indicated above.

New York Office interviewed subject on 6/28/62 and 7/9/62. Subject stated he had been asking Cuban exiles to purchase rifles and equipment so that they would be ready to join in fight against Castro when U.S. Government permission is granted. He added that he had submitted 20 membership applications to a New Jersey rifle range to afford practice in handling firearms but no reply had been received. He also stated his organization was compiling a listing of men who would be capable of participating in military action. He pointed out that neither he nor his organization would attempt any military action against Castro because of U.S. restrictions and because such action might tend to embarrass this country. He also stated that he was under Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) jurisdiction and could not travel outside New York area without INS permission.

In line with our established policy not to investigate anti-Castro neutrality matters unless authorized to do so by the Department, we should ask the Department in this instance whether it desires such investigation be conducted.

Enclosure sent/ed

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Memorandum Wannall to Sullivan
Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
2-1622

ACTION:

- sent/r
If you approve, attached letter will be sent Department furnishing the data received from the Army and transmitting copy of report containing above-mentioned interviews with subject. Department is being asked whether investigation of neutrality aspects of this matter is desired. Copies of this letter are being furnished interested field offices with instructions that they alert their sources but conduct no active investigation.

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General

July 31, 1962

Director, FBI

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ROLANDO ARCARIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to previous information which has been furnished concerning the above-captioned subject and to information concerning "Un Rifle (US) (One Rifle)" which is available to the Internal Security Division.

The Department of the Army on July 25, 1962, advised that on June 23, 1962, a source of unknown reliability located at Miami, Florida, furnished the following information:

"Ex-dictator of Cuba, Batista, is sponsoring and financing the military training of Cubans in exile in the US. Three anti-Castro, Cuban guerilla training camps have been established in the US by his son, Ruben Batista Rodinez. He has a \$2 million fund for financing the recruitment and training of exiled Cubans, largely former Batista regime soldiers and supporters. It is believed that this activity is not sponsored by any US agency but rather aimed at preparing a ready, armed force with which Batista can take part in any invasion of Cuba which might be mounted by the US or a Latin American country. Rolando Masferrer is the military chief directing the operation."

"Training camps are located at: Key West, Florida, on a farm rented by a Cuban Engineer (Jnu) Sabas, where approximately 150 men are under the command of Major (Jnu) Morafen; in a large city (name unknown) in Kentucky where military training is performed on weekends by Cubans who work at other jobs during the week; and, Union City, Kentucky, where Masferrer lives and trains a group calling themselves the Masferrer Tigers. Recruitment for the force is by Orlando Piedra of New Orleans, Louisiana, Eladio Del Valle alias 'Lito', and Juan Restey (both resident in Miami, Florida). Julio Figueroa, an employee of the Mahabba Restaurant, Miami, 8th Street and 1st Avenue, may also be engaged in the operation. Del Valle is an old-time smuggler from Havana."

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NEWARK, NEW ORLEANS & NEW YORK PAGE TWO

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General

who now maintains an office at Miami, NY 1st Avenue and 11th Street. The recruits are given a bonus of \$200 upon enlistment. Trainees are fed, housed and clothed in khaki uniforms by the Batista organization."

(b7c) Enclosed is a copy of the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated July 19, 1962, at New York, New York, captioned "On Rifle (UR) (One Rifle)" together with a memorandum also dated July 19, 1962.

It is requested that this Bureau be advised whether investigation of the neutrality aspects of this matter is desired.

Enclosures - 2

NOTE TO SACS, LOUISVILLE, LEGAT, MADRID, MIAMI, NEWARK, NEW ORLEANS & NEW YORK:

Alert your sources and informants for any pertinent information which may be received in this matter but conduct no active investigation. Keep Bureau promptly advised of any pertinent data received.

NOTE: Classified "Confidential" since data from Army so classified.

See cover memorandum Wannall to Sullivan, same caption, dated 7/20/62 prepared by VEN:slj

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Bulky Exhibit - Inventory of Property
FD-102 (Rev. 12-5-58)

Acquired as Evidence

Date

8/1/62

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Field Division

MIAMI

Title and Character of Case

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASPERER ROJAS
HM

Date Property Acquired

12/2/60

Source From Which Property Acquired

[REDACTED] (b7c)

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Bulky Exhibit Vault

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

Possible evidence - to be retained until
conclusion of case.

Description of Property or Exhibit and Identity of Agent Submitting Same

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 8/9/62

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER y ROJAS
IS-CUBA; NM

Enclosed herewith are 11 copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

The memorandum, referred to in letterhead memorandum, was translated from Spanish to English by SA [REDACTED]

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over*

*G.C. [unclear]
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FBI

Date: August 17, 1962

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (P) (2-156)

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA
(OO: New York)

UN RIFLE, aka (UR) (One Rifle)
IS - CUBA; NM
(OO: New York)

Enclosed for Bureau are 10 copies and for New York four copies of letterhead memorandum setting forth information re activities of ROLANDO MASFERRER.



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(1 - 105-105688)
- 4 - New York (Encl. - 4) (AM - RM) (105-38120)
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DATE 7/1/81 BY 2042 [signature]

C. C. [signature]

16 AUG 21 1962

Special Agent in Charge

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said he would immediately make available any additional information received by him.



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Miami Cuban sources were previously alerted to furnish any information they obtained regarding MASFERRER or his activities, and the Bureau will be promptly advised upon receipt of any such information.

INS, Border Patrol and Customs, Miami, were orally advised regarding the presence of MASFERRER in Miami, and of the other pertinent information contained in the enclosed memorandum. A copy of this memorandum is being furnished to each of them.

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Date: August 20, 1962

To: Director
Central Intelligence Agency

Attention: Deputy Director, Plans

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

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To [redacted]
8/21/62
[initials]

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- 1 - Newark (Enclosure)
- 2 - New York (Enclosure)
- 1 - Miami (Enclosure)

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NOTE TO SACS NEWARK, NEW YORK, AND MIAMI:

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NOTE: Subject is notorious former Batista official who is involved in anti-Castro activities. On July 31, 1962, we asked Department if neutrality matter investigation is desired, in view of allegations subject is involved in recruiting and training individuals for eventual overthrow of Castro.

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Via AIRTEL REGISTERED MAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-NEW) (RM)

SUBJECT: EJERCITO INVASOR CUBANO
IS-CUBA; NM
(OO: MM)

CLASS. & EXT. BY *100-378541*
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DATE OF REVIEW *11/13/62*

ReNYlet to the Director captioned, "ROLANDO ARCADIO
MASFERRER ROJAS; IS-CUBA; NM", dated 9/6/62, NY file 105-38120;
Bufile 2-1622.

Attached herewith for the Bureau are 9 copies of
a letterhead memorandum containing information received from

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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NY will contact ⁸⁷ ~~100-378541~~ ^{SEP 24 1962} sources for information available
regarding the captioned organization and await results of investigation con-
ducted by the Miami Division regarding the captioned organization.

An information copy is designated for Newark,
inasmuch as the arms were allegedly purchased in New Jersey.

The Miami Division will consider interview of ELADIO
DEL VALLE, the alleged chief of the captioned organization,
presently residing in Miami. Interview should cover the subject
of the purchase of arms and alleged exportation of same to Cuba.

3-Bureau (Encls. 9) (RM)
2-Miami (Encls. 2) (RM)
1-Newark (Encl. 1) (Info) (RM)

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Special Agent in Charge

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Re: Ejercito Invasor Cubano

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"The New York Times" newspaper of September 13, 1962, carried an accurate account of the details concerning the arrest of Frank Padron and Jose Blanco. The facts were set out in an article captioned, "Enemies of Castro Pledge More Attacks on Ships". This article summarizes present anti-Castro sympathy among Cuban exiles both in the United States and certain Central American countries. It also mentions some of the plans of the Alpha 66 Group to attack ships en route to Cuba carrying supplies.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (87-315) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA
(OO: NEW YORK)

DATE: 8/24/62

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AND FIELD OFFICES
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Relets from Director to Mr. J. WALTER YEAGLEY,
Ass't. Attorney General dated 7/31; 8/8/62.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and eight
copies of a letterhead memo dated and captioned as above at
Newark.

Also enclosed for New York are two copies, and for
Louisville, Miami, and New Orleans one copy each of the above
described letterhead memo.

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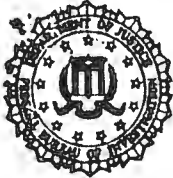
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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

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Former Cuban Senator, Rolando Masferrer, has no direct connection with any anti-Castro activities sponsored or supported by the ex-dictator of Cuba, Fulgencio Batista. Masferrer has remained in the New York City area and has not recently visited or lived in any training camps located in the United States.

[REDACTED] Orlando Piedra, a man in the confidence of Batista, has been recruiting men for an anti-Castro force sponsored by Batista. Piedra is a friend of Masferrer's and they may maintain contact with each other, but neither Masferrer or his organization, Un Rifle (UR) (One Rifle) is in any way connected with Piedra and his activities.

[REDACTED] an ex-Batista aide, Commandante Manuel Atorresagasti, frequently travels between the U.S. and Mexico and other Latin American countries as the paymaster for Batista. The information he has received indicates that Atorresagasti brings money into the U.S. to pay for the Batista supported activities in this country. CUBA

[REDACTED] Batista's son, Ruben Batista, personally observes and inspects those activities supported and financed by his father, but he has not heard of Ruben Batista actively participating in the establishment of any anti-Castro guerrilla training camps in the U.S.

[REDACTED] there are no such camps presently established in the U.S. by Batista or his followers.

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RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Rifle training has been taking place somewhere near Key West, Florida, and the rifles for the training have been made available by "Un Rifle", but Batista had no connection with this.

(b.1) [REDACTED]

(b2, b7d) [REDACTED] Masferrer left the New York area about August 7, 1962, for a brief visit to Miami, Florida, where he intended to confer with anti-Castro leaders in that area.

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DATE: 9/6/62

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-CUBA; NM

ReBulet to Mr. J. WALTER YEAGLEY, Assistant Attorney General, dated 7/31/62, captioned "ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS; NEUTRALITY MATTERS."

Negative efforts were made by the NYO to contact ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS on 8/8, 13, 17, and 20/62 at both his residence and at the offices of the Cuban Masonic Order in Exile, 344 West 45th Street, NYC, which is used by MASFERRER as his office.

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 (1 - Legat, Madrid)
 1 - Louisville (INFO) (RM)
 1 - Miami (2-156) (INFO) (RM)
 1 - Newark (97-315) (INFO) (RM)
 1 - New Orleans (INFO) (RM)
 1 - New York (105-52912) (UN RIFLE)
 1 - New York (105-38120)

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(b.1) The NYO has alerted its sources and will report any information concerning the activity of ROLANDO MASFERRER in the NY area.

[REDACTED]

The NYO will report activities relative to ROLANDO MASFERRER and his organization under the caption, "UN RIFLE aka; IS-CUBA; NM," Bufile 105-105638, NY file 105-52912.

An extra copy of this communication is being designated for the Bureau for transmittal to Legat, Madrid.

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SAC, New York (105-38120)

September 17, 1962

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Director, FBI (2-1622) -165

ROLANDO ARCANIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reurlet 9/6/62, a copy of which is enclosed for Madrid.

Resubmit pertinent data concerning subject under his caption. In view of the Department's interest in Masferrer and his activities, you should continue to follow his activities and submit information concerning him to the Bureau under the above caption. Information concerning the activities of Un Rifle, which is the subject's organization, should continue to be submitted under the organization's caption.

- 1 - Louisville
- 1 - Madrid (Enclosure)
- 1 - Miami (2-156)
- 1 - Newark (97-315)
- 1 - New Orleans

1 - Foreign Liaison Unit

1 - 105-105638 (Un Rifle)

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- 1 - Belmont
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SAC, New York

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Director, FBI (2-1622)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS
BUDED 10-20-62

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DATE 7/14/87 BY 2142/AM/BAW

ReBulet to Internal Security Division 7-31-62
copies of which were furnished recipient offices.

Enclosed for each office is copy of Department
letter 9-14-62. Immediately institute investigation in
accordance with request of Department.

All offices will contact logical sources and
informants and other individuals who may have knowledge of
this matter.

Initial reports should be submitted to reach
Bureau by 10-20-62.

Enclosure

- 2 - Louisville (Encl.)
- 2 - Madrid (Enclosure)
- 2 - Miami (Enclosure)
- 2 - Newark (Enclosure)
- 2 - New Orleans (Encl.)

1 - 105-105638 (Un Rifle)

1 - Foreign Liaison Unit (route through for review)

NOTE: Allegations have been received indicating three anti-Castro training
camps have been established in U.S. by Ruben Batista Godinez, son of former
Cuban President Batista and that he had \$2,000,000 to finance recruitment
and training of exile Cubans, largely Batista supporters. Subject is
notorious Batista official who has been involved in independent anti-Castro
activities and is reportedly military chief of operations in this matter.
Individuals mentioned above are either involved or may have knowledge of
this matter.

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Letter to New York

Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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NOTE: (Continued)

attached
See cover memo Wannall to Sullivan, dated 9/21/62, same caption, prepared by VHM:agg.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/10/62

FROM : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (2-117) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA
(OO: New York)

Re letter from Director to Mr. W. WALTER YEAGLEY,
Assistant Attorney General, dated July 31, 1962.

Enclosed are nine copies for the Bureau, two copies
for New York and one copy for Miami for information of a
letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

The sources referred to in the enclosed letterhead
memorandum are identified below and the dates on which they
were contacted are also set forth:



- ② - Bureau (Enc. 9) (RM)
- 2 - New York (105-38120) (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 1 - Miami (2-156) (Enc. 1) (Info) (RM)
- 1 - New Orleans

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Date 9/18/62 by [Signature]

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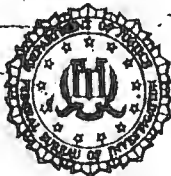
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New Orleans, Louisiana
September 10, 1962

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

Cuban sources who are usually cognizant of group activities among Cubans in the New Orleans area advised in August of 1962 that they had no information regarding any activities on the part of any former adherents of Fulgencio Batista nor did they have any information regarding any activities on the part of Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas in the New Orleans area. Two of these sources did relate that the only information they had concerning Orlando Piedra was that he is alleged to be spending the greater part of the summer in Florida. These sources also related that they had no pertinent information regarding any recruiting activities on the part of Orlando Piedra.

On August 31, 1962, efforts were made to contact Orlando Piedra at his home located at 5386 Charlotte Drive in New Orleans at which time a youth answered the door at that address and advised that Mr. Orlando Piedra was in Florida and had been there on vacation for approximately two months. He also added that he had no information concerning the date on which Mr. Piedra was likely to return to New Orleans.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 9/21/62

FROM : W. R. Wannall

1 - Belmont
1 - Sullivan
1 - Wannall
1 - Nasca

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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Subject is notorious former Batista official in exile in U. S. who is engaged in independent anti-Castro activities.

On 7/31/62 we advised Internal Security Division, Department of Justice, of allegations received indicating that former Cuban President Batista was allegedly sponsoring and financing military training of Cuban exiles in U.S.; that three anti-Castro guerrilla training camps had been established in U. S. by Ruben Batista Godinez, Batista's son; and that subject was identified as military chief directing the operations. We asked Internal Security Division whether investigation of neutrality aspects of this matter was desired.

It is noted Attorney General on two recent occasions in connection with ship attacks on Cuba by Miami anti-Castro organizations has advised he did not desire investigation conducted.

Subject, however, is unscrupulous-type individual who is generally considered unacceptable by legitimate anti-Castro exiles because of his activities in Cuba prior to Batista's downfall.

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1 - 105-105638 (Un Rifle)

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Memo Wannall to Sullivan
Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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In addition, there are indications that the allegations in this matter may not be true.

In view of the foregoing it is believed in this instance we should conduct the investigation requested.

ACTION:

If you approve, attached letter will be sent to interested offices instituting investigation.

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advise as 9/24 *✓* *with* *H.*

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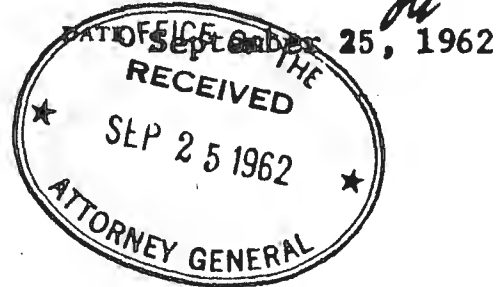
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could make this case it would be very helpful

TO : The Attorney General

JEK FROM : Director, FBI



SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Subject is a notorious former Batista official in exile in the United States who is generally considered unacceptable by legitimate anti-Castro exiles because of his activities in Cuba prior to Batista's downfall.

On July 31, 1962, we advised the Internal Security Division of allegations received indicating that former Cuban President Batista was allegedly sponsoring and financing the military training of Cuban exiles in the United States; that three anti-Castro guerrilla training camps had been established in this country by Ruben Batista Godinez, Batista's son; and that the subject was identified as the military chief directing the operations.

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In accordance with the request of the Internal Security Division, we have instituted an investigation in this matter. Any pertinent data developed will be made available to you.

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1 - The Deputy Attorney General

1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General

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The Attorney General

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For the attention of <u>Mr. Courtney Evans</u>	

9/25 "If we could make this case, it would be very helpful,

REMARKS:

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *also*

DATE: September 26, 1962

FROM : C. A. Evans *[Signature]*SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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The Attorney General has returned our memorandum of September 26, 1962, advising him of the institution of investigation of subject, a former Batista official who is generally considered unacceptable by legitimate anti-Castro exiles.

The Attorney General has noted, "If we could make this case it would be very helpful."

ACTION BEING TAKEN:

As the Attorney General was informed yesterday, we have instituted investigation. This will be expedited and any pertinent data developed will be called to the Attorney General's attention by memorandum.

1 - Mr. Sullivan *[Signature]*CAE:vap
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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
 INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
 NEUTRALITY MATTERS
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ReBulet 9/24/62 instituting investigation.

There has been considerable interest evidenced in our investigation of subject. It is essential that each office conducting inquiries conduct these inquiries thoroughly and rapidly and that the results be promptly furnished Bureau. Every effort should be made to either prove or disprove the allegations furnished by the Army source.

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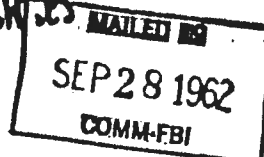
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1 - Mr. Masca

SAC, Miami (97-322)

October 1, 1962

Director, FBI (97-4146)

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PATRIA
POST OFFICE BOX 1936
MIAMI 1, FLORIDA

Re New York letter 9/21/62, concerning "Rolando
Arcadio Masferrer Rojas."

Information on page two of relet indicates
that former Cuban President Batista is furnishing \$5,000
a month for the publication of the newspaper, "Patria,"
which is published in Miami, Florida. This newspaper
reportedly supports Batista. Bufiles indicate that "Patria"
may be identical with the captioned newspaper.

You are instructed to conduct sufficient
investigation to determine whether the newspaper mentioned
by Masferrer is identical with the captioned newspaper. If
so, conduct sufficient investigation to determine whether
it is receiving funds as indicated by Masferrer and advise
Bureau.

1 - New York

*ROLANDO ARCADIO Masferrer
Rojas*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 9/21/62

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)(P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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ReBulet to Mr. J. WALTER YEAGLEY, Assistant Attorney General, dated 7/31/62, captioned "ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS; NEUTRALITY MATTERS," and NYlet to the Bureau, dated 9/6/62, captioned as above.

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS was interviewed on 9/10/62 at 344 West 45th Street, NYC, which is the office of the Masonic Lodge of Cuba in Exile, which MASFERRER uses to carry on his activities.

MASFERRER advised on 9/10/62 that he is in no way associated with ex-Cuban President FULGENCIO BATISTA or any of the followers of BATISTA. MASFERRER stated that he has no contact with ROBERTO FERNANDEZ MIRANDA, brother-in-law of ex-President BATISTA, who is presently residing in Miami, Florida.

MASFERRER advised that he knew of no military camps operated and paid for by BATISTA followers and stated emphatically that he was in no way connected with any military training program in the US.

MAFERRER advised of all the people close to ex-President BATISTA, he is still in contact with ORLANDO PIEDRA, former Chief of the Bureau of Investigation. MAFERRER stated he knows of no activity on the part of

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PIEDRA in recruiting Cubans for military action against the present Government of Cuba. MASFERRER stated that ORLANDO PIEDRA at the present time resides in New Orleans, Louisiana, and has been living there for the past two years. MASFERRER stated that ORLANDO PIEDRA's son is presently attending school in the New Orleans area.

MASFERRER also advised on 9/10/62 that Lt. LUIS ABREU, who was adjutant to Col. ORLANDO PIEDRA in the Bureau of Investigation, is associated with him in the NY area and ABREU is in regular contact with PIEDRA and from ABREU he learned that PIEDRA is not active in any anti-CASTRO activities at the present time, - nor is he engaged in recruiting any men for military service.

MASFERRER further advised that in the Miami area, money given to the followers of ex-President BATISTA is distributed by his brother-in-law, ROBERTO FERNANDEZ MIRANDA. MASFERRER stated that he was also certain of the fact that ~~PIO ELIZALDE~~ is the representative of ex-President BATISTA in Mexico and distributes for BATISTA approximately \$38,000 a month for the up-keep of some of his followers and \$5,000 per month for the publication of the newspaper, "Patria," which is published in Miami, Florida, and is 100 per cent in support of ex-President BATISTA. MASFERRER described PIO ELIZALDE as a Negro, lawyer, and newspaperman, who at one time had been undersecretary of Labor during the regime of BATISTA.

MASFERRER also stated that ROBERTO FERNANDEZ MIRANDA and close associates are connected in a business venture in the Miami area, which is known as the Meridian Construction Company and on the payroll of this company is ex-Colonel ANGEL SANCHEZ MOSQUERA, who is paid a monthly salary of \$750 in order to keep him loyal to the BATISTA element. MASFERRER, on 9/10/62, reiterated his feeling about ex-President BATISTA and stated that he has not been and is not now associated with ex-President BATISTA or any of BATISTA's followers. MASFERRER advised

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that he has his own organization, which is known as Un Rifle and also Unidad Revolucionaria. MASFERRER stated that all his activity is connected with the solicitation of arms for Cubans, who are willing to fight the present regime in Cuba. MASFERRER stated that he has no intention of personally engaging in any military action against Cuba because his movements are restricted by the INS, but he and his organization are willing to supply whatever arms they have to groups who are willing to fight against Cuba.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 9/28/62

FROM : SAC, LOUISVILLE (2-20) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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Re Bureau letter September 24, 1962, and Department letter of September 14, 1962, furnished as enclosures thereto.

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1962, advised SA [REDACTED] as follows:

[REDACTED] knows of no organized military training of Cubans in Kentucky.

[REDACTED] is positive that he would immediately learn of such activity in Kentucky.

For the information of offices interested in this matter, the Louisville Times, Louisville, Kentucky, a newspaper of general circulation, on September 26, 1962, carried a story reporting that Cuban refugees in Florida who chose to join the U. S. Army will be trained at Fort Knox, Kentucky, apparently in Spanish-speaking units. (Another story indicated that the language barrier prevented many Cubans from entering the U. S. Armed Forces.) Captain JOHN BUCKLEY,

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Commander of the Coral Gables Army Recruiting Office was given as the source in the recruiting story. A Fort Knox information office source was quoted as stating the first recruits would arrive within the next week, but that specific plans had apparently not been made for their training. It was mentioned that there are no Spanish-speaking instructors at Fort Knox. The story indicated that the Center in Miami to enlist and screen the Cuban recruits was to be opened immediately and that others in New York, New Orleans, Chicago and Los Angeles would be opened within one or two weeks. The same issue of the same paper carried an editorial approving the enlisting of Cubans in the U. S. Army, but pointed out that training them in Spanish-speaking units is "inviting the world to believe that we have determined to invade Cuba". The editorial specifically reserves comment on the question of whether Cuba should or should not be invaded.

The above news story regarding the view of the have been the basis of original information in this matter which appears to be in the nature of rumor. Since Fort Knox is approximately 30 miles from Louisville, Kentucky, early information regarding the program could have been the basis of the information concerning the military training of Cubans "in a large city in Kentucky".

Louisville will surep following inquiry at Union City, Kentucky.

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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 10-3-62

FROM : Legal Attaché, Madrid (109-12) (RUC)

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Information copies of this report are being furnished to Louisville, Miami, Newark, and New Orleans for their information since they have leads outstanding in this investigation.

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1. Will maintain contact with sources and informants relative to activities of MASFERRER in the NY area and elsewhere.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS on September 10, 1962, advised that he was in no way associated with ex-Cuban President FULGENCIO BATISTA nor was he connected with any of the followers of BATISTA. MASFERRER said that he has had no contact with BATISTA since BATISTA fled Cuba on January 1, 1959, and that he has had no contact with RUBEN BATISTA or ROBERTO FERNANDEZ MIRANDA, the son and brother-in-law respectively, of ex-President BATISTA.

MASFERRER stated on September 10, 1962, that he knew of no military camps allegedly operated by ex-President BATISTA, and he knew of no military activity on the part of ex-followers of BATISTA which are ~~being~~ for by BATISTA. MASFERRER stated that he personally has not been connected in any way with any military training since he came to live in the New York area.

MASFERRER advised that of all the people who were close to ex-President BATISTA he, MASFERRER, has maintained contact with ex-Colonel ORLANDO PIEDRA who was the former Chief of the Bureau of Investigation in Cuba during the Presidency of BATISTA. MASFERRER advised that from his contact with PIEDRA and friends of PIEDRA, he knows of no activity by PIEDRA to recruit Cubans for future military action inside Cuba. MASFERRER advised that ORLANDO PIEDRA currently is residing in New Orleans, Louisiana, and that recently travel restrictions placed upon him by Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) have been lifted and PIEDRA has spent a good deal of his time in the Miami, Florida, area.

MASFERRER also stated on September 10, 1962, that former Lieutenant LUIS ABREU, former Adjutant to Colonel ORLANDO PIEDRA in the Bureau of Investigation, currently is associated with him in New York City. MASFERRER advised that ABREU is in regular contact with PIEDRA and ABREU has informed him that PIEDRA is not active in a military way in anti-CASTRO activities at the present time, nor has he been or is he now engaged in recruiting men for future military service in Cuba.

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MASFERRER advised that ex-President BATISTA does furnish money to some of his followers who have been unable to secure employment since they came into exile. In the Miami area, MASFERRER stated that this money supplied by BATISTA is distributed by his brother-in-law, ROBERTO FERNANDEZ MIRANDA. MASFERRER also stated that money is sent by BATISTA to Mexico where it is distributed for him by

(b7c) [REDACTED] distributes for BATISTA approximately \$38,000 per month and that \$5,000 of this money goes toward the publication of the newspaper "Patria" which is published in Miami, Florida, and is in support of ex-President BATISTA.

MASFERRER advised on September 10, 1962, that he is very much opposed to ex-President BATISTA and blames BATISTA and many of his followers for what has happened in Cuba, and he explained that he is not now and has not been associated with BATISTA or any of his followers since January 1, 1959. MASFERRER stated that he has his own organization which is known as Un Rifle (UR) (one rifle) and sometimes known as Unidad Revolucionaria (UR) (Revolutionary Unity). MASFERRER stated that he has been active in the New York area with this organization, has addressed many meetings and has asked various Cuban exiles in the United States to contribute arms in order to fight the present regime in Cuba. MASFERRER stated that the arms which are collected by his organization would be given to any group inside Cuba which would be willing and able to fight the present regime of Prime Minister FIDEL CASTRO.

MASFERRER advised that he personally had no intention of engaging in any military activities against Cuba because his movements were restricted by INS, but he was willing to help any group of Cubans who were willing to fight and die in order to overthrow the present CASTRO Government in Cuba.

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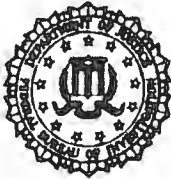
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New York, New York
October 9, 1962

Title ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: OCT 17 1962

FROM: SAC, NEWARK (97-315) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERREH ROJAS
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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

Re Newark letter 10/17/62, with enclosure.

New York and Miami check with logical sources and appropriate representatives of Customs for any information which would substantiate the data contained in the last two paragraphs, page 1 of enclosure.

2 - Miami (2-156)
1 - Newark (97-315)

NOTE:

We have been conducting investigation of subject, notorious Batista official, at request of Department. Enclosure indicates subject has been involved in arms smuggling and that one of the vessels used had been intercepted by U. S. officials.

It is believed desirable to endeavor to check out accuracy of his data.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS		SA [REDACTED] (b7c)	mh
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		IS - CUBA NEUTRALITY MATTERS	

REFERENCES:

Bureau letter to Mr. J. WALTER YEAGLEY, Assistant Attorney General, dated 7/31/62.

Louisville letter to Bureau, 9/28/62.

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10/17/62

Office: NEW ORLEANS

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Bureau File No.: 2-1622

Title:

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Synopsis:

Cuban sources who are usually cognizant of group political activities among Cubans in the New Orleans area, advised that they have no knowledge of any recruiting activities on the part of ORLANDO PIEDRA or on the part of any former adherents of FULGENCIO BATISTA nor do they have any information of any activities on the part of the subject. PIEDRA categorically denies any recruiting activities by him as well as the existence of any training camps in this country being sponsored directly or indirectly by FULGENCIO BATISTA. He also denies that BATISTA has spent any money in this country for weapons or ammunition to be used against CASTRO in Cuba.

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DETAILS:

Cuban sources who are usually cognizant of group activities among Cubans in the New Orleans area advised in August of 1962 that they had no information regarding any activities on the part of any former adherents of FULGENCIO BATISTA nor did they have any information regarding any activities on the part of ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS in the New Orleans area. Two of these sources did relate that the only information they had concerning ORLANDO PIEDRA was that he is alleged to be spending the greater part of the summer in Florida. These sources also related that they had no pertinent information regarding any recruiting activities on the part of ORLANDO PIEDRA.

On August 31, 1962, efforts were made to contact ORLANDO PIEDRA at his home located at 5386 Charlotte Drive

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in New Orleans at which time a youth answered the door at that address and advised that Mr. ORLANDO PIEDRA was in Florida and had been there on vacation for approximately two months. He also added that he had no information concerning the date on which Mr. PIEDRA was likely to return to New Orleans.

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Attention: Deputy Director, Plans

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS
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REFERENCES: Bureau letter to Assistant Attorney General J. WALTER YEAGLEY 7/31/62.
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LOUISVILLE, NEWARK, AND NEW ORLEANS: (INFORMATION)

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AT FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

see serial 186
Will attempt to locate and interview ORLANDO PIEDRA for any information concerning this matter, it being noted he has been reported to be vacationing in Florida at the present time.

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

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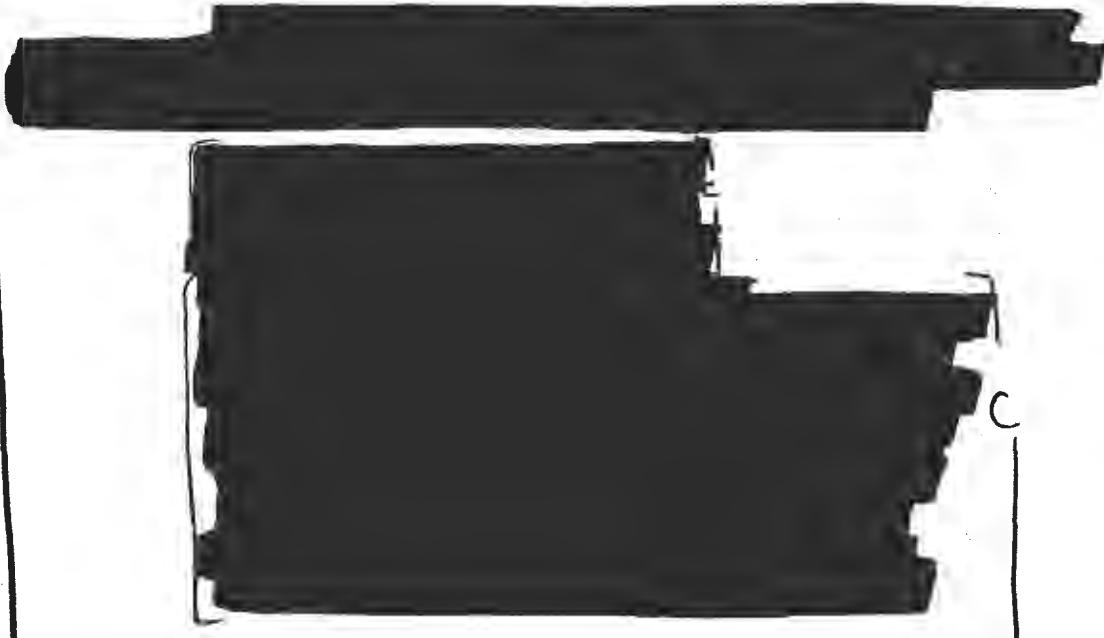
2. Will locate and interview BATISTA's son-in-law, ROBERTO FERNANDEZ MIRANDA, in an effort to obtain additional details concerning allegations as set forth in Bureau letter to Assistant Attorney General J. WALTER YEAGLEY dated July 31, 1962.

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Office: Miami, Florida

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Title:

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTER

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Synopsis:

[On 7/25/62, Department of Army advised that on 6/23/62, source of unknown reliability located in Miami, Fla., had stated ex-dictator of Cuba FULGENCIO BATISTA sponsoring and financing military training of Cubans in exile in the U. S. Source further identified subject as military chief directing operation. Training camps reportedly located in the U. S. with recruitment of invasion force by ORLANDO PIEDRA and others.] Investigation disclosed that subject was in Miami in latter part of 8/62.

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[redacted] was attempting to deliver arms and supplies to group of anti-CASTRO individuals, [redacted]. Subject subsequently returned to New York. On 10/13/62, three individuals arrested at Miami in vessel with 20 carbine rifles and several automatic pistols. [redacted]

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Individuals reportedly engaged in recruiting activities deny being so engaged.

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DETAILS:

On July 25, 1962, the Department of the Army advised that on June 23, 1962, a source of unknown reliability located at Miami, Florida, furnished the following information: X

Ex-dictator of Cuba, BATISTA, is sponsoring and financing the military training of Cubans in exile in the United States. Three anti-CASTRO, Cuban guerilla training camps have been established in the United States by his son, RUBEN BATISTA GODINEZ. He has a two million dollar fund for financing the recruitment and training of exiled Cubans, largely former BATISTA regime soldiers and supporters. It is believed that this activity is not sponsored by any United States agency, but rather aimed at preparing a ready, armed force with which BATISTA can take part in any invasion of Cuba which might be mounted by the United States or a Latin American country. ROLANDO MASFERRER is the military chief directing the operation. X

Training camps are located at: Key West, Florida, on a farm rented by a Cuban engineer (FNU) SABAS, where approximately 150 men are under the command of Major (FNU) MOREJON; in a large city (name unknown) in Kentucky where military training is performed on week-ends by Cubans who work at other jobs during the week; and, Union City, Kentucky, where MASFERRER lives and trains a group calling themselves the "Masferrer Tigers." Recruitment for the force is by ORLANDO PIEDRA of New Orleans, Louisiana, ELADIO DEL VALLE, also known as "Lito," and JUAN RESTOY X

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(both residents of Miami, Florida). JULIO FIGUEROA, an employee of the Wakamba Restaurant, Miami, 8th Street and Second Avenue, may also be engaged in the operation. DEL VALLE is an old-time smuggler from Havana, who now maintains an office at Miami on S. W. First Avenue and 11th Street. The recruits are given a bonus of \$200.00 upon enlistment. Trainees are fed, housed and clothed in khaki uniforms by the BATISTA organization. X

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vised he had learned that JULIO J. CABALLERO, a former Cuban Army Captain during the BATISTA regime, was in West Palm Beach, Florida, on September 30, 1962, visiting CARLO TABERNILLA. TABERNILLA was Chief of the Cuban Air Force during the BATISTA regime. [REDACTED] subject had recently been in the Miami area clandestinely and that he had reportedly been engaged in the purchase of some arms. The subject was supposed to have been in New York City, but was circulating the story in Miami that the United States government had allowed him to come to Miami. [REDACTED] was unable to furnish any additional information.

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Subject, [REDACTED], was in Miami approximately one and a half months ago. Subject [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was attempting to deliver some arms and supplies to a group of anti-CASTRO individuals, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] belief that subject stayed in Miami with his brother, RODOLFO "KIKI" MASFERRER.

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[REDACTED] as far as he knows, subject does not have any organization or following in the South Florida area, although he does have individual friends and contacts. [REDACTED] did not know subject to have any training camps located anywhere in the United States. It was his belief that subject does have some following in Cuba, but he was unable to state just how many.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] knows of no large amounts of money allegedly donated by BATISTA for the recruitment and training of exiled Cubans and felt it was entirely untrue.

The "Miami Herald," a daily Miami newspaper, on October 16, 1962, contained an article with a headline "Three Cubans in Boat Arrested for Gunrunning." This

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article, among other things, stated that three Cubans were arrested on October 15, 1962, and charged with running guns. United States officials had reported that a rented motor vessel missing since last week was found off Government Cut by the Coast Guard with three exiles and a load of weapons and ammunition aboard. This article continued that N. E. JACKSON, owner of the Neptune Marine charter boat firm, reported that a man who identified himself as "LOUIE AGUIAR" put down a \$50.00 deposit on a 23 foot Fiberglass boat during the past week ostensibly to go on a fishing trip.

The "Miami Herald" article continued that the craft was scheduled to be returned by 3:00 p.m. the next day. When it did not show up, JACKSON reported it missing and a Coast Guard search was launched.

The Coast Guard sighted the vessel off Government Cut on October 14, 1962, and found aboard were 20 carbine rifles and several automatic pistols. The three Cubans aboard, charged by United States Customs with illegal exportation of arms and placed under \$500.00 bond each, were identified as LUIS LOPEZ RAMIREZ, age 26, ROBERTO MAS CALERO, age 28, and EMILIO REYES MORALES, age 20, all of 1760 N. W. 45th Street, Miami, Florida.

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These men now face criminal charges.

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[REDACTED] denied being connected with any anti-
CASTRO endeavor sponsored by former Cuban President BATISTA.

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[REDACTED] denied knowledge of any training camps being supported by BATISTA and stated he frankly knows of no training camps whatever in the Florida area.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] never received any financial assistance personally from former Cuban President BATISTA, but stated frankly that he would welcome such financial assistance if it were offered.

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[REDACTED] doubts the existence of any training camps in the United States, either sponsored by

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BATISTA or anyone else. He recalled hearing a rumor that subject was in Miami several months ago, but he never learned the purpose of the visit.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] denied being involved in any recruitment of any anti-CASTRO forces.

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

He said he has never met the subject in the United States or had any contact with him. He said he is not engaged in any anti-CASTRO activity. [REDACTED] it was preposterous that anyone had identified him as being engaged in any activity with the subject or with former Cuban President BATISTA.

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[REDACTED] that is
the only contact they have had in the United States.

[REDACTED] did not know the existence of
any training camps in the United States sponsored by
BATISTA or by anyone else.

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Confidential informants and sources in the
Miami and South Florida area were contacted in August

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and September, 1962, and stated that they did not know of any anti-CASTRO training camps in the South Florida area.

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Miami, Florida
October 19, 1962

Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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New York will immediately endeavor to locate and
interview [redacted] of developments. Keep Bureau advised

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TITLE OF CASE ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] (b7c) CSB	TYPE CSB
		CHARACTER OF CASE IS-CJBA; NEUTRALITY MATTERS	

REFERENCES:

New Orleans report of SA [REDACTED] 10/17/62.
 Miami report of SA [REDACTED] 10/19/62.
 Newark letter with enclosure 10/17/62.
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ADMINISTRATIVE:

on 10/31/62, that the US Customs Service was not in receipt of any additional information regarding arms shipments being made from the NY area by ROLANDO MASFERRER except what information had already been furnished US Customs by the NYO of the FBI.

[REDACTED] stated Cubans are purchasing rifles in Army Navy Surplus stores in the Metropolitan area and supposedly furnishing them to MASFERRER's group. [REDACTED] stated there was no violation for a Cuban to purchase

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rifles in the Metropolitan NY area or to transport these rifles interstate and that the only violation would be when these rifles are shipped from the Miami area to Cuba or to an area outside the US. [REDACTED] stated that he had been in contact with the US Treasury Department, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Unit and they had informed him they were not conducting any investigation relative to arms purchases in the Metropolitan NY area because there were no automatic weapons involved. (b7c)

INFORMANTS:

Identity of Source	Location
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Careful consideration has been given to the sources concealed and T symbols were utilized in this report where the identities of the sources must be concealed. (b-1)

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MIAMI, NEWARK, NEW ORLEANS (INFORMATION)

Information copies of this report are being furnished to Miami, Newark and New Orleans since previous investigation had been conducted in this matter by these divisions and because Miami has a lead outstanding in this investigation.

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At New York, New York

1. Will maintain contact with sources relating to activities of MASFERRER in the NY area and elsewhere.

2. Will maintain contact with MASFERRER and members of his organization concerning their activities.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Synopsis:

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DETAILS:

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[REDACTED] that there were numerous rumors to the effect that MASFERRER was receiving weapons in the New York area and shipping them to the Miami, Florida, area to be later transported into Cuba to help rebel groups there. [REDACTED] that he had no facts on which to base his information except that this was common talk among Cubans relative to MASFERRER's activities in the New York area.

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Date 11/5/62

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, former Cuban Senator and leader of the private army known as "The Tigers" was interviewed on October 30, 1962, at 344 West 45th Street, New York City, which is the headquarters used by MASFERRER and his organization which is known as Un Rifle (One Rifle) (UR). MASFERRER, on October 30, 1962, stated that he has continued his activities in the New York area in addressing various exile Cuban groups and in requesting from the exiled Cubans in the Metropolitan New York area their assistance and their contribution of weapons to the cause of fighting Prime Minister FIDEL CASTRO of Cuba and the Communist regime which exists in Cuba today. MASFERRER advised that he speaks at some gatherings of Cubans three or four times a week and is in contact with Cubans residing in the Metropolitan New York area who have contacts inside Cuba. Among such individuals, MASFERRER stated that he is in contact with ~~MEREJO RAMIREZ~~, who is approximately 50 years of age and comes from the area of Sancti Spiritus. MASFERRER stated RAMIREZ had been in the Escambray Mountains and has contacts there with the natives of the area who are active in fighting the present regime in Cuba. B. APPROX. 1912
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MASFERRER stated that in helping people like MEREJO RAMIREZ and others in supplying them with needed arms, he feels that he is doing what he can to fight Communism in Cuba. MASFERRER stated that whatever arms he collects from voluntary contributions of Cubans residing in the Metropolitan area, he makes them available to groups which currently exist inside Cuba and which are opposed to the present CASTRO government in Cuba.

MASFERRER advised that since his organization, UR, was formed, he has been attempting to assist the groups currently fighting inside Cuba by supplying them with much needed weapons. MASFERRER advised that there are three main groups inside Cuba which his organization has supplied with weapons from time to time. MASFERRER identified these groups as follows:

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1. In the area of the Escambray, near Cumanayagua, there is a group under ~~LUIS VARGAS~~ and his representative in the Miami area is ~~EDED MONTIEL~~.

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2. Another group of rebels is fighting in Jaguey Jay and the representative of this group is LUIS CASTRO, who spends most of his time in the Miami area.

3. Another group of rebels, currently operating in the provinces of Matanzas and Las Villas, are under the command of one EMILIO. MASFERRER identified the representative of this group in the United States as LUIS AGUIAR.

MAFERRER stated that as far as his organization is concerned, there has been no mobilization or plans for an invasion of Cuba by his group. MASFERRER said that it is impossible for him to lead any expedition inside Cuba and it would be impossible for any outside group to land in Cuba and carry on guerilla warfare against the present Cuban regime. MASFERRER stated that there is no recruitment of men going on at the present time and there is not now and there has not been any military training by his organization. MASFERRER also advised that his organization owned no boats.

MAFERRER advised that the only thing which he and his organization is doing, is collecting arms which are voluntarily offered by Cubans, shipping to the Miami, Florida, area, and then transporting them to Cuba by means of boats. MASFERRER advised that several organizations existing in the Miami area have boats under their control and these organizations have loaned the boats to MASFERRER's group and they have from time to time delivered arms to Cuba to help those people inside the country who are in a position to actively oppose the present

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regime. MASFERRER advised that it has been learned from people inside Cuba that it would be impossible for an invasion force to land in Cuba and remain there actively fighting the present Cuban Government. MASFERRER stated that the groups which he has supplied with weapons are farmers and country people who perform their daily tasks during the day, and then, at night, carry out guerilla activities against the present Cuban Government. MASFERRER stated that these people who are active in the underground do not want any outside force or unknown individuals to come into their territory as it would be impossible to hide these people and for them to operate against the Government. MASFERRER stated that it is for these reasons that he has no intention of going to Cuba himself or sending any of his men to Cuba, but he will continue to ask Cubans to supply weapons in order that he may then supply weapons to people inside Cuba who are in a position to carry on the fight against Communism.

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New York, New York
November 14, 1962

Title Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas

Character Internal Security - Cuba;
Neutrality Matters

(b7c) Special Agent [REDACTED] Reference is made to the report of
at New York. [REDACTED] dated and captioned as above

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General
Director, FBI

December 3, 1962

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASPERER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to previous information furnished
in the captioned matter.

(b7c) Attached is a copy of the report of Special Agent
[redacted] dated November 16, 1962, at New York, New York,
together with a copy of a memorandum also dated November 16, 1962.

The attached report sets forth the results of a recent
interview which was conducted by a representative of our New York
Office with the subject. You will note therein that the subject
stated that his organization is not involved in recruiting or
military training and that it has no plans for an invasion of Cuba.
The subject, however, admitted that he and his organization are
collecting arms, shipping them to Miami, Florida, and transporting
them to Cuba by boat. In view of this admitted arms activity,
we have furnished copies of the attached report not only to the
Bureau of Customs in New York City as indicated on the attached
report, but also to the Headquarters of the Bureau of Customs in
Washington, D. C.

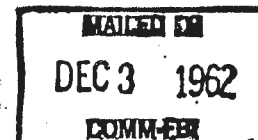
Our investigation is continuing and the results will be
made available to you.

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11/16/62 at New York, Miami interview the representatives of the
three anti-Castro organizations set forth on page four of the
above-mentioned report, as well as other individuals connected with
these organizations who may be able to verify the subject's claim
that he and his organization are supplying arms to these groups
and transporting them to Cuba. During the interviews, endeavor

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General

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to determine whether these organizations are engaged in recruiting or in organizing expeditions in violation of neutrality statutes within our jurisdiction. Any such data developed should be furnished Bureau under separate caption so that facts can be presented to Department for determination as to whether neutrality investigation is desired. Furnish copies of your report in this matter to Customs locally and designate copy for Customs in New York City.

NOTE:

Allegations have been received indicating former Cuban President Batista was allegedly sponsoring and financing military training of Cuban exiles in U. S.; that three anti-Castro training camps had been established in U. S. by Batista's son; and that subject, notorious former Batista official, was military chief of the operations. Investigation, including interview of Batista's son, has failed to substantiate the allegations, but has indicated that the subject is engaged in gathering arms for anti-Castro groups for use in Cuba. Investigation of Masferrer is being conducted at specific request of Department.

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REFERENCE

Report of SA [REDACTED], dated 10/19/62 (b7c)
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Report of: (b7c) SA [REDACTED] Office: Louisville
Date: November 26, 1962

Field Office File #: Louisville 2-20

Bureau File #: 2-1622

Title: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA; NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Synopsis:

[REDACTED] (b7d)
[REDACTED] states MASFERRER not in Kentucky. No known Cuban activity vicinity Union City, Kentucky.

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DETAILS:

██████████ knows of no organized military training of
Cubans in Kentucky ██████████
██████████ is positive that he would immediately learn
of such activity

The following investigation was conducted by SA

interviewed on
November 8, 1962, and
interviewed October 9, 1962,
advised that they know of no Cuban nationals in
They all indicated that they would be certain to
learn of any individuals of foreign extraction, including
Cubans, who might come to

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(b7d) [REDACTED] indicated that no military training could be carried on [REDACTED] without their knowledge and that they had received no information concerning any such training.

(b7c) [REDACTED] advised that no one by the name MASFERRER or ROJAS receives mail through RFD #6.

AT UNION CITY, KENTUCKY:

[REDACTED] advised that no one by the name MASFERRER or ROJAS receives mail through that Post Office.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-CUBA

DATE: DEC 18 1962

ReBulet to CIA dated 10/24/62, with enclosure
and Bureau airtel to NY dated 11/2/62

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS on 12/4/62, advised
was presently [redacted] and was
associated with his organization which is known as
Un Rifle. MASFERRER stated that [redacted]

MASFERRER on 12/4/62, stated that [redacted]

MASFERRER on 12/12/62 advised that he had
conferred with [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 12/31/62

FROM : SAC, Miami (2-156)(P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA; NM
(OO: New York)

Miami indicated that a report in this matter would be submitted by December 31, 1962.

Investigation is being conducted in this matter. However, the agent to whom assigned has been devoting full time to investigation of the case entitled [REDACTED] and to technical work in connection with the Cuban Intensification Program. (b7c)

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A report in this matter will be submitted by January 16, 1963.

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REFERENCE:

NY report of SA [REDACTED] dated 11/16/62.
 Louisville report of SA [REDACTED]
 Bureau letter to J. WALTER YEAGLEY, Assistant Attorney General, dated 12/3/62.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Referenced Bulet to Assistant Attorney General J. WALTER YEAGLEY, contained a request for Miami to contact the representatives of the three Anti-Castro organizations as set forth on page four of referenced NY report of SA [REDACTED] dated 11/16/62, at NY.

For the assistance of the Miami Office, it should be noted that ROLANDO MASFERRER, on 12/19/62, advised that he had no address or phone number in Miami where the representatives of the Anti-Castro organizations, mentioned in referenced NY report, could be located, but advised that his cousin, ANTONIO

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ROJAS, represents MASFERRER in Miami and can furnish the whereabouts of the representatives of the Anti-Castro groups. MASFERRER advised that his cousin, ANTONIO ROJAS, resides at 1716 S. W. 11th Street, apartment 2, Miami, Florida.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Careful consideration has been given to the sources concealed and T symbols were utilized in this report only in those instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

LEADS:LOUISVILLE, MIAMI, NEWARK, and NEW ORLEANS (INFORMATION)

Information copies of this report have been furnished to Louisville, Miami, Newark, and New Orleans, for information purposes since they have conducted previous investigation in this matter.

NEW YORK

At New York, New York

1. Will maintain contact with sources for information concerning activities of MASFERRER in the New York area.

2. Will maintain contact with MASFERRER relative to his activities in New York area.

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1-US Customs, Miami (RM)Report of: [REDACTED]
Date: [REDACTED]

Office: NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Field Office File #:

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Bureau File #: 2-1622

Title:

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Synopsis:

(6-1) [REDACTED] that he had heard that the activities of MASFERRER had been curtailed in recent weeks. MASFERRER advised on December 4, 1962, that since the recent crisis between the US and Russia over Cuba, his organization has been inactive except for meetings held at 346 W. 45th Street, NYC. MASFERRER stated that the Cuban exiles are beginning to understand that they themselves are incapable from a monetary and military standpoint of overthrowing the present regime in Cuba. MASFERRER advised that he was considering giving up his activities because of lack of interest and lack of finances among members of his organization.

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DETAILS:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] that since the recent Cuban crisis, he has had no information relative to the activities of ROLANDO MASFERRER in the New York area. [REDACTED] stated that he had heard reports that the activities of MASFERRER and his organization, Un Rifle (One Rifle), had been greatly curtailed during recent weeks.

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[REDACTED]

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, 346 West 45th Street, New York City, advised on December 4, 1962, that since the recent crisis between the United States and Russia over Cuba, and the removal of Russian missiles from Cuba, his organization has been inactive except for meetings held at 346 West 45th Street, New York City. MASFERRER advised that the Cuban people during the recent crisis were hopeful of seeing the Cuban Government overthrown but when there was no intervention in Cuba by the United States, the Cuban exiles became very depressed and there has been a marked lack of interest among the Cuban exiles in the New York area.

MASFERRER advised that as an aftermath of the recent crisis, not only his organization but other exile Cuban organizations in the New York area have noticed a great decrease in attendance at their meetings. MASFERRER, however, advised that the Cuban exiles are indeed beginning to understand that they themselves are incapable from a monetary and military

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standpoint of overthrowing the present regime in Cuba. MASFERRER advised that he has had a great decrease in attendance at his meetings and people are not contributing money and rifles as they had prior to the Cuban crisis which began in late October, 1962. MASFERRER stated that he was seriously considering giving up his activities because of lack of interest and lack of finances among the members of his organization. MASFERRER stated that recently in New York City, Mayor ROBERT F. WAGNER has granted Cuban exile attorneys certain considerations for employment in the New York City area, and he has applied for a job with the New York City Department of Welfare as a Social Worker or Investigator. MASFERRER advised that if he obtained this job, he would then give up his activities and concentrate on making a living for himself and his family.

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New York, New York
January 9, 1963

Title ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

(b)(7C) Agent [redacted] Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above, at New York.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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TITLE OF CASE ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY GK
		CHARACTER OF CASE IS - CUBA; NM.	

REFERENCES: Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 10/19/62, at Miami;
Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 10/17/62, at New Orleans;
Bulet to New York and Miami 10/24/62;
Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 11/16/62, at New York;
Miami letter to the Bureau 12/31/62;
Bulet to Assistant Attorney General J. WALTER YEAGLEY, 12/3/62.

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Will recontact subject in attempt to obtain

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(b7c) | additional information from him relative to [REDACTED] individuals who, during New York interview on October 30, 1962, were identified by subject as representatives of various groups which he is supporting in Cuba. These individuals allegedly are in Miami, Florida. Will attempt to obtain addresses for them in order that they might be interviewed in accordance with Bureau request dated December 3, 1962.

MIAMI:

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

1 - Will locate and interview ROBERTO FERNANDEZ MIRANDA, [REDACTED] for any pertinent information he may be able to furnish relative to subject and his activities. It is noted FERNANDEZ MIRANDA is the brother-in-law of Cuban ex-President FULGENCIO BATISTA.

2 - Will maintain contact with sources and informants for any additional pertinent information concerning subject and his activities.

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Agent [REDACTED] October 19, 1962, which set forth a lead to interview [REDACTED]. Subsequently, [REDACTED] was interviewed extensively concerning this matter at New Orleans, Louisiana, on October 10, 1962. Therefore, he will not be interviewed by the Miami Office.

INFORMANTS

IDENTITY

LOCATION

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Office: MIAMI, FLORIDA

Field Office File #: 2-156

Bureau File #: 2-1622

Title:

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS.

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS.

Synopsis:

During interview by FBI, New York, on 10/30/62, subject identified three individuals as his representatives, connected with three main groups inside Cuba which his organization in Cuba has supplied with arms from time to time. Unsuccessful efforts made to locate and interview these individuals at Miami. Miami sources report no current information relative to arms or ammunition shipments to Cuba on part of subject in South Florida area. U.S. Customs, Miami, has no information reflecting subject engaged in any arms shipments from South Florida area at this time.

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DETAILS:

Previous investigation has disclosed that in August, 1962, subject had been in the Miami area.

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On October 30, 1962, the subject, during an interview in New York, conducted by SA [REDACTED] stated, among other things, that there are three main groups inside Cuba which his organization has supplied with weapons from time to time. Subject identified these groups as follows:

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1 - In the area of the Escambray, near Cumanayagua, there is a group under LUIS VARGAS and his representative in the Miami area, EDEL MONTIEL.

Cuba

Fla

2 - Another group of rebels is fighting in Jaguay Jay, and the representative of this group is LUIS CASTRO, who spends most of his time in the Miami area.

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3 - Another group of rebels currently operating in the Cuban Provinces of Matanzas and Las Villas are under the command of one EMILIO. Subject identified the representative of this group in the United States as LUIS AGUIAR.

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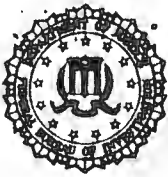
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On January 15, 1963, Mr. WALLACE SHANLEY / U. S. Customs, Miami, Florida, advised that his office has not developed any information in the Miami area to reflect that subject is engaged in the transportation of arms or ammunition to Cuba.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Miami, Florida
January 16, 1963

2-156

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS;
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS.

(b7c) Agent [REDACTED] Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated and captioned as above, at Miami.

All sources contacted have furnished reliable information in the past.

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1 - Mr. Masca

SAC, Miami (2-156)

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ROLANDO ARCANIO MASFERRE ROJAS
IS - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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Re: [REDACTED] 1/16/63 at Miami (b7c)
and report SA [REDACTED] 1/9/63 at New York.

Miami 1/94
ReNYrep in administrative pages noted that subject on 12/19/62 advised his cousin in Miami could furnish the whereabouts of the representatives of the anti-Castro groups. Your office was instructed to interview.

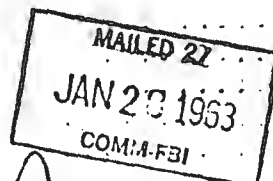
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Promptly contact this individual for the names and addresses of these representatives and interview them for pertinent information. Handle expeditiously.

1 - New York (105-38120)

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NOTE: We are conducting investigation of subject at request of Department. Information developed indicates subject is engaged by his own admission in gathering arms for anti-Castro groups for use in Cuba. He furnished the names of the representatives of these groups and we instructed Miami to interview them. Miami has been unable to locate these individuals; however, subject has indicated that his cousin in Miami can furnish their whereabouts.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : *J.F.M.* SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-CUBA; NM

DATE: FEB 6 1963

Re Bureau form 0-17 dated 1/14/63, and New York letter dated 12/18/62.

Enclosed herewith for the information of the Bureau are 9 copies of a letterhead memorandum setting forth results of interview with [REDACTED]

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File No.

New York, New York
February 6, 1952

Re: Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas
Internal Security-C; Neutrality Matters

Rolando Masferrer Rojas, 345 West 45th Street, New York City, on December 4, 1952, advised that [REDACTED] and was associated with his, Masferrer's organization, which is known as Unidad Revolucionaria (Revolutionary Unity) and Un Rifle (One Rifle) (UR). Masferrer advised that [REDACTED]

Masferrer advised that [REDACTED]

Masferrer also stated on December 4, 1952, that [REDACTED]

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Assistant Attorney General

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Travel Document Country CUBA	TD valid until	Type of Passport	
I & W Section Documents I-94 issued 4/4/62			
Required Signature authorized on 4/4/62	to Indef	by P.E. STRACK, DEP. DIR.	
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Information pertaining to rectification of signature:	Arrived at LAY HAST, N.Y. on 1/1/59. Not in possession of a valid passport. Expired 11. Admitted being member of Partido Popular. Alleges he is now anti-Communist. Has two children reside with him at 6-2, Bklyn, N.Y. not 6-2. He is required to report, PERSON, at 100 Broadway, N.Y. He is to notify this office of address change, and not permitted to reside at Metropolitan New York in vicinity of address change. From Department of State.		
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TO SACS MIAMI (105-7313)
NEW YORK

CLASS. & EXT. BY SP6BJA/DMF
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2
DATE OF REVIEW 3/29/83

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (105-118615)

CHANGED: ROY EMORY HARGRAVES; ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, ET AL., IS - CUBA, NEUTRALITY MATTERS.

REBUAIRTELS MARCH TWENTY-ONE AND TWENTY-SEVEN LAST ENTITLED "CAPTURE OF EIGHT COUNTERREVOLUTIONARIES BY CUBAN ARMED FORCES FEBRUARY TWENTY-ONE, ONE NINE SIX THREE, IS - CUBA, NEUTRALITY MATTERS." NOTE TITLE OF THIS CASE CHANGED AS ABOVE.

INVESTIGATION TO DEVELOP EVIDENCE NECESSARY TO PROVE VIOLATION HERE MUST RECEIVE PREFERRED ATTENTION AND PRESSED VIGOROUSLY. IN ADDITION TO LEADS IN REAIRTELS, FOLLOWING SHOULD BE PURSUED IF NOT ALREADY DONE:

ADVISE NEW YORK BY TELETYPE SOON AS SUFFICIENT PERSONS INTERVIEWED [REDACTED]

INSTRUCT IMMEDIATE INTERVIEW OF ROLANDO MASFERRER, WHO ALLEGEDLY SUPPLIED MONEY AND WEAPONS FOR EXPEDITION UNDER INVESTIGATION.

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TELETYPE TO SACS MIAMI
NEW YORK

RE: ROY EMORY HARGRAVES
ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, ET AL.
105-118615

IN VIEW OF MASFERRER'S ALLEGED INVOLVEMENT, NEW YORK INTERVIEW
HIS CLOSE ASSOCIATES AND OTHERS IN POSITION TO FURNISH PERTINENT
DATA. [REDACTED]

(b7d) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ASCERTAIN BASE IN SOUTH FLORIDA FROM WHICH
HARGRAVES GROUP ORIGINALLY DEPARTED FOR BAHAMAS AND ENDEAVOR TO
LOCATE AND INTERVIEW EYE WITNESSES FOR DETAILED EVIDENTIARY DATA.
DETERMINE SOURCE OF WEAPONS INCLUDING MACHINE GUNS WITH WHICH BOAT
ALLEGEDLY ARMED AND INTERVIEW THOSE INVOLVED AS SUPPLIERS. DETERMINE
RESIDENCES OF FAMILIES OF EIGHT CUBAN EXILES APPREHENDED BY CASTRO
FORCES AND CONDUCT INTERVIEWS WITH WIVES AND CLOSE ADULT RELATIVES
AT RESIDENCES TO DEVELOP FULL DETAILS RE EXPEDITION PREPARATIONS.

(b7c) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]
SINCE MACHINE GUNS ALLEGEDLY IN POSSESSION OF HARGRAVES' GROUP,
BEAR IN MIND POSSIBLE VIOLATION OF NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT AND ENDEAVOR

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TELETYPE TO SACS MIAMI

NEW YORK

RE: ROY EMORY HARGRAVES

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, ET AL,
105-118618

**TO DEVELOP EVIDENTIARY DATA SUCH VIOLATION INCIDENTAL TO INSTANT
INVESTIGATION.**

**SUBMIT RESULTS IN REPORT FORM WEEKLY UNTIL INVESTIGATION
COMPLETED AND KEEP BUREAU ADVISED IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS BY
TELETYPE SUMMARIES. SEND LEADS AUXILIARY OFFICES BY TELETYPES.**

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (File 2-1622) DATE: 4/26/63

FROM : SAC, Miami (File 2-156)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA; NM

This case will be delinquent.

Date of Bureau deadline: 4/23/63

Reason for the delinquency: expedite full-time investigation
re raids on Cuba, and expeditious technical assignments.

Date the report or necessary communication
will reach the Bureau: 5/21/63.

AEC zone designation; e.g., OR, CH, etc.:
(This applies only to 116 cases.)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : *J.F.M.*
S. SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)(c)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

DATE: 4/29/63

The NYO, at the present time, has pending investigation in the case entitled "ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS; IS - CUBA; NEUTRALITY MATTERS" (Bufile 2-1622) and a pending investigation relative to the organization headed by ROLANDO MASFERRER entitled "UN RIFLE (UR) aka UNIDAD REVOLUCIONARIA" (UR) (Bufile 105-105632.) During the course of New York's investigations into these two pending matters, it has been evident that MASFERRER and his organization are identical and without MASFERRER, there is no organization. Reporting New York's investigation of these 2 matters has been a duplication of reporting.

UACB, the NYO will close its case entitled "ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS; IS - CUBA; NEUTRALITY MATTERS" and will continue to investigate the activities of his organization, UR, and report the activities of MASFERRER under the caption of "UN RIFLE (UR) aka UNIDAD REVOLUCIONARIA (UR); IS - CUBA; NEUTRALITY MATTERS."

- 2 - Bureau (2-1622) (RM)
- 1 - Miami (2-156) (INFO) (RM)
- 1 - Newark (97-315) (INFO) (RM)
- 1 - New York (105-52912) (UR)
- 1 - New York (105-38120)

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SAC, New York (105-38120)

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASPERER ROJAS
IS - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reurlet 4-29-63.

Bureau does not desire captioned case be closed. Subject's activities are of particular interest to the Department and other interested agencies. Bureau has no objection, however, to your closing the case on Un Rifle and following subject's activities in his main case file. New York submit closing report in case concerning Un Rifle. Carefully review captioned case and expedite coverage of all logical leads so case can be brought to logical conclusion.

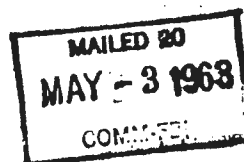
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1 - 105-105632 (Un Rifle)

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NOTE:

New York has two cases, one on subject and one on his organization, New York desires to close case on subject and follow his activities through organization. In view of subject's notorious character and since his name is well known to other interested agencies, it is felt his case should remain open and that one on his organization be closed. It is noted that for all practical purposes he is identical with the organization.

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Field Division

Miami

Title and Character of Case

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
NM

Date Property Acquired

12/2/60

Source From Which Property Acquired

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

Bulky Exhibit Vault

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

Possible evidence - to be retained until
conclusion of case.

Description of Property or Exhibit and Identity of Agent Submitting Same

1 tape recording - 1200 feet

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

MAY 8 1969

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATTN. IDENTIFICATION DIVISION)

DATE: 5/3/63

FROM ~~1~~ LEGAT, MEXICO (64-~~new~~). (P)

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DATE 7/5/01 BY 2143 P.W. 10/10/01

SUBJECT: WILBUR VERNON GEE
FOREIGN MISCELLANEOUS

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Welburn Vernon

REQUEST OF BUREAU

It is requested that Bureau files and those of the Identification Division be checked on the subject [REDACTED] and the Mexico City Office furnished with any information [REDACTED]

3 - Bureau
(1 - Liaison Section)

1 - Mexico City

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AK in Ident. on basis of a name check
per [REDACTED] 1571363

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1 - Name Check Section
1 - Mr. Woods

Legal Attache, Mexico (64-new)

May 15, 1963

Director, FBI (2-1662)

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WILBUR VERNON GEE
FOREIGN MISCELLANEOUS -

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Bureau files reveal

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I - Foreign Liaison Unit (detached)

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Letter to Legal Attache, Mexico
Re: Wilbur Vernon Gee

The December 25, 1960 issue of "The Miami Herald" contained an article entitled "23 Americans Sign Up For Invasion of Cuba," in which it was reported that Wilbur Gee, age 42, from Maracaibo, Venezuela, would be one of the 23 Americans. The article indicated that Gee was born in the United States and had been a tugboat operator in Venezuela for several years. The article quoted Gee as saying "I got out of work and I am going to Cuba to fight communism so it won't spread to the rest of the Latin American countries." The article indicated that Gee had been in the United States Army and the United States Navy.

(b7c) | There are attached two copies of FBI Identification Division Record number 689 273 D concerning Wilbur V. Gee who appears to be identical to the individual of interest [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MIAMI	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE MAY 29 1963	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 1/30 - 5/27/63
TITLE OF CASE ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY pmc
		CHARACTER OF CASE IS - CUBA; NM	

REFERENCE: Report SA [REDACTED] 1/16/63, Miami (b7c)
Bureau letter to Miami 1/29/63.

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- LEADS -

MIAMI:AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

1.) Will attempt to locate and interview LUIS CASTRO and EDEL MONTIEL for any information they may possess regarding subject's activities.

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APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW	
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 - [REDACTED]
 - 1 - U.S. Coast Guard, Miami (RM)
 - 1 - State Department (Co-Ordinator of Cuban Affairs) (RM)
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- INFORMANTS -

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Copy to: *(referred)*Report of:
Date:*(b7c)*

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Miami, Florida

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Title:

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2-1622

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA; NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Synopsis:

(b1) *(referred)* [REDACTED] IS investigation conducted at Miami reflected subject gave some weapons to LUIS AGUIAR, who reportedly operates independently of subject. Subject's cousin, ANTONIO ROJAS, Miami, advised on 5/16/63 that subject is having financial troubles which have prevented him from publishing anti-CASTRO newspaper "Libertad" for two weeks. [REDACTED]

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DETAILS:

(b1) *(referred)* [REDACTED]

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On May 16, 1963, RODOLFO MASFERRER, 3500 Southwest Tenth Street, Apartment #1, Miami, Florida, advised he is the brother of the subject, it being noted RODOLFO is also known as "KIKI". RODOLFO MASFERRER advised he has no knowledge that the subject recently sent any men to Cuba, and it was his belief that the subject had not carried out any activities since before the naval blockade of Cuba, which was imposed upon Cuba by the United States in October of 1962. RODOLFO MASFERRER said he did not know the whereabouts of LUIS AGUIAR, EDEL MONTIEL or LUIS CASTRO, who reportedly represent the subject in the Miami area.

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On May 17, 1963, SANTIAGO ALVAREZ, a Cuban medical doctor and anti-CASTRO revolutionary residing at 541 Northwest 45th Avenue, Miami, Florida, advised he is personally acquainted with the subject, but has not had any recent information concerning the subject and his activities in the South Florida area. He did recall someone remarking to him that GINO NEGRETTI has been handling some of the legal problems for the subject in connection with his immigration status, and that NEGRETTI was supposed to have said to someone that the subject had attempted to come to Miami during the recent past, but that the United States Immigration Service had turned down his request.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Miami, Florida

MAY 29 1963

Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

(b7c) [REDACTED] Reference is made to the report of Special Agent
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Director, FBI (2-1622)

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

ReBulet 5-6-63. Bureau desires that recipient offices expeditiously cover outstanding leads so this case can be brought to a logical conclusion. New York will immediately review files and advise Bureau specifically of leads that have not been covered and when the investigation is expected to be completed so matter can be referred to Department.

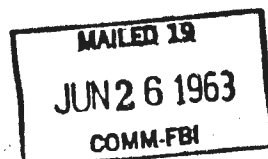
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From: Director, FBI (2-1622)

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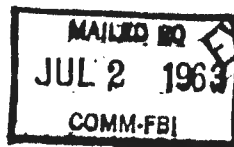
Miami immediately cover outstanding leads and submit RUC report.

New York review files and if there are no leads outstanding other than the ones being covered by Miami, so advise Bureau.

The necessary communications from both offices must reach Bureau by 7/10/63 so matter can be presented to Department as soon as possible.

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SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-CUBA; NM
(OO: NY)

ReBulet, 6/27/63, and Buairtel, 7/2/63.

New York leads in this case have been covered and
a pending report will be submitted by 7/16/63.

In addition to the leads outstanding for the Miami Division, there is one possible lead outstanding in the Newark Division which may have a bearing on this investigation. The Bureau's attention is directed to Newark letter dated 6/24/63, entitled, "30TH OF NOVEMBER REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT; IS-CUBA; RA-CUBA; NM". Referenced Newark letter set forth a lead to

The Newark Office was advised of the contents of referenced Bulet and Buairtel, and Newark will advise Bureau

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Newark submit results its investigation in this matter insofar as it involves subject under the caption of this communication by July 18, 1963. The pertinent information concerning the subject should also be reported by Newark in its investigation of the "30th of November Revolutionary Movement" since inquiry concerning subject's activities is also being made in that case. Necessary communications in this matter must be received by the Bureau without fail by dates promised.

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FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)(P)

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
 IS - CUBA
 NM
 OO: New York

Rerep of SA [REDACTED] at Miami dated

5/29/63.

Bureau and New York requested to refer to page 6,
 last paragraph, line 10, second word, and correct "MASFERRER"
 to read "MAS."

Miami copies corrected. An error scored.

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		CHARACTER OF CASE IS - CUBA NEUTRALITY MATTERS	(b7c)

REFERENCE:

Report of SA [REDACTED] (b7c)
at Miami, 5/29/63.
Bureau letter to New York 6/27/63.
Bureau airtel to New York and Miami,
7/2/63.

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No further efforts are being made by the Miami
Office to locate and interview EDEL MONTIEL.

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FROM: SAC, NEWARK (97-315) -RUC-

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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Re Bureau airtel, 7/10/63.



More detailed results of this interview will be reported in the investigation captioned "THIRTIETH OF NOVEMBER REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT".

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REPORTING OFFICE NEW YORK	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE 7/16/63	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 5/29-7/10/63
TITLE OF CASE ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS		REPORT MADE BY (b7c) [REDACTED]	TYPED CAB
CHARACTER OF CASE IS - CUBA		ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 7/15/84 BY 2542 Amw/GA/lon	

REFERENCES:

NY letter, dated 4/29/63.
Bullets to NY, dated 5/6/63 and 6/27/63.
Bureau airtel, dated 7/2/63.
NY airtel, dated 7/9/63.

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LEADS:

MIAMI AND NEWARK (INFO)

At Miami, Florida, and Newark, New Jersey

One copy of this report has been designated for Miami and Newark since they have an investigative interest in the activities of ROLANDO MASFERRER.

NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will submit letter under separate cover requesting Bureau to confer with Justice Department concerning possible violation of Neutrality Statutes.

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Report of:

Date:

July 16, 1963

(b7c) Office: New York, New York

Field Office File #:

105-38120

Bureau File # 1622

Title:

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Synopsis:

Sources of the NYO, who are familiar with some of the pro and anti-CASTRO activities in the NY area, advised that ROLANDO MASFERRER has not been too active in recent months because of lack of finances. MASFERRER, on 6/26/63, stated that his activities have been curtailed because of lack of interest on the part of the Cuban exiles and the despondency among the exiles that the US will do nothing to overthrow FIDEL CASTRO. MASFERRER stated that he still has a few arms available, but will not furnish any of them to any Cuban exile group.

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DETAILS:

Sources of the New York Office, who are familiar with some of the pro and anti-FIDEL CASTRO activities in the New York area, were contacted during May, June, and July, 1963, relative to the activities of ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS. All advised that, to their knowledge, ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS has not been too active in recent

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months in the anti-CASTRO field and the lack of activity is due to a lack of finances and a lack of interest on the part of Cuban exiles residing in the Metropolitan New York area.

The sources³ contacted advised that MASFERRER is still the leading figure in the anti-CASTRO organization known as Un Rifle (One Rifle)(UR) or Unidad Revolucionaria (Revolutionary Unity)(UR). The sources observed that MASFERRER still publishes a weekly newspaper in Union City, New Jersey, and this newspaper appears to be about the only source of income for MASFERRER and his organization. The sources advised that the newspaper of MASFERRER is called "Libertad".

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, 346 West 45th Street, New York City, was contacted on June 26, 1963, concerning another matter. At this time, he was questioned about the activities of his organization and his own activities.

MASFERRER stated on June 26, 1963, that his activities have been currently curtailed during recent months due to lack of interest in the New York area on the part of Cuban exiles and also because there is much despondency among the Cuban exiles that nothing will be done by the United States to overthrow the regime of Prime Minister FIDEL CASTRO in Cuba.

MASFERRER stated that he has a few arms still available to his organization in the Miami area, but he has issued instructions to his cousin, ANTONIO ROJAS, who resides in Miami that he should not furnish any arms to any organization in the Miami area.

MASFERRER stated that he feels that the only way help can be given to the people in Cuba is to deliver arms into the country in a large supply with sufficient ammunition. He believes the hit and run raids carried out by certain Cuban exile groups have no effect whatsoever on the CASTRO regime. MASFERRER stated that

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it was for this reason that he has instructed ANTONIO ROJAS not to issue any arms to any groups in Miami because he feels that they will merely be used by groups who contemplate making raids on the coast of Cuba.

MASFERRER also advised on June 26, 1963, that he continues to publish his newspaper which is called "Libertad". MASFERRER stated that the organization does receive funds from the sale of this newspaper, and also from ads which are placed in the newspaper. MASFERRER advised that, outside of the newspaper, the organization has no other source of income.

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[REDACTED] ROLANDO MASFERRER has been hampered in his activities because of lack of finances and that his sole activity in the anti-CASTRO field during the past few months has been confined to publishing his weekly newspaper called "Libertad".

[REDACTED] during the past year the organization of MASFERRER has been soliciting arms or the equivalent amount of money to purchase arms from Cubans living in the New York area, but since the Cuban crisis of October, 1962, MASFERRER has ceased in asking for arms from the Cuban exiles. [REDACTED] to his knowledge, MASFERRER and his organization have very few arms left as MASFERRER and the organization collected the arms in order to have them delivered into Cuba to help the people inside Cuba who are fighting the Government of FIDEL CASTRO.

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[REDACTED] is thoroughly convinced
that MASFERRER has no plans for his or his organization's
personal participation in any military activity against
Cuba. [REDACTED]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: JUL 18 1963

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Re NY report of SA [REDACTED] dated 7/16/63. (b7C)

During May, June and July, the following individuals [REDACTED] were checked with negative results [REDACTED]

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All outstanding leads in this investigation have been covered by the interested offices and the Bureau is requested to consult the Department of Justice for an opinion as to whether or not ROLANDO MASFERRER has violated the Neutrality Statutes.

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General
Director, FBI

July 25, 1963

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to previous information furnished in
the captioned matter.

Attached are single copies of the reports of Special Agent
[redacted], dated July 10, 1963, at Miami, Florida, and
Special Agent [redacted], dated July 16, 1963, at New York,
New York.

It is requested that this Bureau be advised whether the
data submitted in this matter constitutes a violation of the
neutrality statutes or any other Federal statutes.

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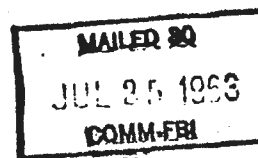
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NOTE: Allegations have been received indicating former Cuban
President, Batista, was allegedly sponsoring and financing military
training of Cuban exiles in U. S., and that subject, notorious Batista
official, was military chief of the operation. Investigation has
failed to substantiate the allegations but has indicated that the
subject was engaged in gathering arms for anti-Castro groups for use
in Cuba. Recent information developed indicates subject has curtailed
his activities and his inactive.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

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[REDACTED] furnished the information to [REDACTED] of the WFO.

Report is being submitted under the caption of MASFERRER because it relates essentially to his activities rather than bona fide Haitian revolutionary activity.

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(b7c) SA [REDACTED] On 8/3/63, MASFERRER furnished the information to

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(b7c) On 8/5/63, MASEERRER [REDACTED] furnished the information to SA [REDACTED]

On 8/6/63, MASFERRER furnished the information to SA [REDACTED]

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The Haitian exiles who were contacted and who could not furnish any information concerning exiled Cuban involvement in the Haitian invasion were:

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LEADS:

Both WFO and Miami, in addition to the leads specifically set out below, should immediately conduct any additional investigation to identify any other leaders and members of the group of 200 Cuban exiles which allegedly was prepared to leave NYC to join the Haitian invasionary forces. It should be further determined, if possible, what arms and equipment this group has acquired or plans to acquire in the U.S. and also to which extent the plan or conspiracy to invade Haiti was formulated in the U.S.

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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA. Will alert its informants and logical sources to develop information concerning the whereabouts of MASFERRER and if located in Miami area, will interview MASFERRER immediately, to determine his objective in considering joining the Haitian revolutionary forces and his present plans as they relate to Haitian matter.

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WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

WFO will continue to maintain contact with informants and logical sources in the Haitian field to develop information concerning MASFERRER and his activities.

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NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. Will continue to contact logical sources concerning captioned matter in order to obtain any additional pertinent information.

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Report of: [REDACTED] (b7c)
Date: AUG 19 1963

Office: New York, New York

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Title: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER
ROJAS

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
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Neutrality Matters

Synopsis:

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[REDACTED] advised that
[REDACTED] about 200 exiled Cubans
plan to join the Haitian invasionary forces of General CANTAVE.
[REDACTED] that [REDACTED] his men had left for Miami.
[REDACTED] that MASFERRER himself departed for Miami.
Investigation in Miami revealed that a few of MASFERRER's group
had indeed arrived in Miami from NYC but had again departed for
NY on 8/12/63 when it became apparent that the Haitian invasion,
led by CANTAVE had failed.

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DETAILS:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] advised Special Agents of the
Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) that [REDACTED]

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In the near future approximately 200 exiled Cubans, including MASFERRER, along with an unknown number of exiled Haitians led by General LEON CANTAVE and (First Name Unknown) RIGAUD, will invade Haiti in order to overthrow the current regime there. The Cubans in the above group now in New York City already have some arms, but will be furnished a substantial number of arms at Monte Cristi in the Dominican Republic. [REDACTED]

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(b7d) [REDACTED] the military powers in the Dominican Republic have agreed to furnish arms to the invasion group, and this agreement was made when the Cubans and Haitians heading the invasion plans discontinued efforts to coordinate their plans with President JUAN BOSCH of the Dominican Republic. [REDACTED] the invasion leaders attempted to deal with the Dominican Republic military while negotiating with President BOSCH. The military powers of the Dominican Republic refused to negotiate with the invasion leaders until they discontinued contacts with President BOSCH.

[REDACTED] it is his understanding that the Dominican Republic is furnishing aid for the Haitian invasion in order to rid themselves of the detested Duvalier regime. [REDACTED]

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The Haitians involved in the invasion plan have agreed, if the invasion is successful, to provide the Cubans in exile with the Haitian Island of Tortuga, approximately 35 miles from Cuba. It is MASFERRER's hope that this island then may be used as a base for armed forces which will eventually be directed against Cuba. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the above plan is a "Haitian deal assisted by Cubans."

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[REDACTED] the above plans for an invasion of Haiti have developed primarily from the desperate position he finds himself in as a result of a years activity of soliciting funds from exiled Cubans and continued promises to use these funds for direct action against the Castro regime in Cuba. [REDACTED] exiled Cubans have been harassed in the United States by representatives of [REDACTED] and the Immigration and Naturalization Service in their efforts to take direct action against the Castro regime. Therefore, a convenient base such as the Island of Tortuga is greatly desired.

[REDACTED] all of the approximately 200 who will participate in the invasion are now in New York City and are prepared to leave for the Dominican Republic by boat. (No additional details regarding this movement available to [REDACTED])

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realized he (MASFERRER) is not trusted by most Cuban exiles, but he nevertheless feels that he must take advantage of the above described plan, assume Cuban leadership in the actual action but must allow STERLING to have the technical leadership in this venture.

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[REDACTED] the time to take some action which will provide the desperately needed base is now. [REDACTED] that the current regime in Haiti is so unstable that DUVALIER will immediately flee the country when he learns of the action and there are many Haitians in Haiti who will join the invasion group.

[REDACTED] but both CANTAVE and RIGAUD have stated that their first act upon the successful completion of the invasion will be to provide free elections.

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(b7c, b7d) [REDACTED] the Cuban exile organization being used to technically sponsor the invasion is the Free Cuba Committee.

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS is a former Cuban Senator.

The Citizens Committee for a Free Cuba, 1426 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., in an April 10, 1963, release stated:

"In a Declaration of Purposes issued upon its finding, the Free Cuba Committee announced that it would initiate a nationwide discussion of the Cuba problem and the measures that must be taken to put an end to the Cuban Communist regime."

Noting that LEON CANTAVE is a former General in the Haitian Army, now in exile, it is not known if the RIGAUD referred to by MASFERRER is ROGER RIGAUD who is a Haitian exile in the United States or PIERRE RIGAUD who is a Haitian exile in Puerto Rico.

(b7c) On August 3, 1963, ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, former Cuban senator, advised SA [REDACTED] that he had as yet made no commitment in regard to joining with any revolutionary group and was awaiting the arrival of Lieutenant ALEGRETE who represents the Somoza regime in Nicaragua before making any commitments.

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He stated that Lieutenant ALEGRETE had invited him and his group to establish a base for action against Cuba in Nicaragua, but that he was considering helping the Haitians because they had promised a base which would be much closer to Cuba. He expects to see Lieutenant ALEGRETE on Wednesday, August 7, 1963.

MASFERRER stated that some Haitians are reported to have left New York but that no Cubans have left. He said that he believes that there will be some action against DUVALIER by General CANTAVE, but that it is not imminent and it would probably occur after 15 days or possibly a longer period.

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[REDACTED] advised that on that date [REDACTED] residing in the New York City area, had attended a meeting during the morning of August 3, 1963, in New York City with approximately seventy-five men planning to take part in an invasion of Haiti. [REDACTED] stated that from what he learned at the meeting, the invasion of Haiti was "definitely on."

[REDACTED] plans to invade Haiti were expected to go into effect possibly as early as the evening of August 5, 1963. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] learned that MASFERRER was vitally concerned in arranging for his men (about 200 [REDACTED] to leave the United States without their firearms and have the firearms shipped separately so as not to incur the interference expected by the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS). [REDACTED] stated that he did not know how MASFERRER planned to arrange this.

In spite of the fact that MASFERRER planned to remain in New York City until August 6, 1963, [REDACTED] his men had already begun to move from New York City to Miami, Florida, in preparation for the trip to the Dominican Republic. [REDACTED] was unable to definitely determine how these men would move out of Miami, Florida, but did learn that a Cuban residing in the Miami area [REDACTED] was providing a boat that would accommodate 100 men.

[REDACTED] an individual in the Miami, Florida, area, was going to provide a B-25 bomber for the invasion. [REDACTED] unable to obtain any additional information concerning the bomber or the boat being provided [REDACTED]

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On August 5, 1963, ROLANDO MASFERRER, former Cuban Senator, advised an agent of the New York Office of the FBI that a landing party of about 150 to 200 Haitians have landed at Fort Liberte, Haiti, this date. This landing force is comprised of ex-Haitian soldiers who have been living in the Dominican Republic and who were trained at a camp in Dajabon, Dominican Republic. The landing party is being led by General LEON CANTAVE, former Chief of Staff of the Haitian Armed Forces, and by PIERRE RIGAUD. The landing party did not encounter any resistance and many of President DUVALIER's militiamen are joining the invading forces. Originally, the invasion was planned for August 12, 1963, but the alternate date of August 5, 1963, was agreed upon in case there appeared a chance of an early discovery of the invasion plan.

MASFERRER further stated that he was taken completely by surprise when he heard that the invasion had commenced. He went on to state that he has at his disposal about 100 Cuban nationals who would be ready to leave for Haiti in a couple of hours, provided Washington gives him the "green light." MASFERRER also advised that at the present time no Cubans are taking part in the invasion.

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[REDACTED] advised
Special Agents of the New York Office of the FBI that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] about 150 to 200 Haitian ex-soldiers and
officers under the leadership of General LEON CANTAVE and PIERRE
RIGAUD have landed at Fort Liberte, Haiti. [REDACTED]

(b7d) [REDACTED] no Cubans were involved in the invasion, but
that MASFERRER is ready to go to Haiti with about 100 Cuban
nationals to aid in the invasion, provided Washington gives
the "green light."

ROLANDO MASFERRER, 346 West 45th Street, New York City,
advised an SA of the New York Office of the FBI on August 6, 1963,
that he has been receiving information of the Haitian invasion
from (First Name Unknown) ASSADA who is the New York associate of
ROGER RIGAUD. MASFERRER stated that RIGAUD is in telephonic
contact with someone in the Dominican Republic who is in radio
contact with the fighting group near Cap Haitien.

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MASFERRER stated that he has not been in contact with ROGER RIGAUD since August 5, 1963, and said that RIGAUD was scheduled to leave Washington, D.C., around noon on August 6, 1963, for the Dominican Republic.

MASFERRER stated that his last information was that General LEON CANTAVE's group was being implemented by defectors from the Haitian Army and others opposed to DUVALIER and they expected Cap Hatien to fall to CANTAVE's group soon. MASFERRER also advised that they heard that DUVALIER was fortifying the Palace in Port-Au-Prince and would not send troops in Cap Hatien.

MASFERRER further stated that he was still willing to go to Haiti to join CANTAVE if he got the "green light" from Washington, D.C.

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[REDACTED]

(b7d) all of his men, not further identified, have left New York City and are in Miami, Florida, with the exception of two or three men and ready to embark for their participation in the invasion of Haiti. MASFERRER [REDACTED] himself expected to leave New York City for Miami momentarily to join these men. MASFERRER and his men are expected to board an unidentified boat somewhere off the coast of Florida or possibly in the Miami area.

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(b)(7)(C) all
arrangements had been made for him and his men to leave to
participate in the invasion with or without the approval of
the United States.

(b)(7)(C) ROGER RIGAUD, a Haitian
exile now in the Dominican Republic, will phone MASFERRER from
the Dominican Republic, advising him where to land with his men
in the Dominican Republic.

(b)(7)(C) MASFERRER and
his men are expected to arrive somewhere in the Dominican
Republic after leaving the United States.

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About three months ago, MASFERRER was approached by Haitian exile leaders in the United States, including former Haitian General LEON CANTAVE and one of the RIGAUD brothers, either ROGER or PIERRE. They advised MASFERRER of an impending invasion of Haiti by their exile group and requested his assistance. In return, if the invasion was successful, MASFERRER would be allowed to establish bases in Haiti from which he could operate against the government of FIDEL CASTRO of Cuba. CANTAVE was associated with Haitian exiles in the Dominican Republic, [REDACTED] and it was intimated support would also come from the Dominican Republic.

MAFERRER viewed this proposal favorably and sought counsel and advice from MARQUEZ STERLING, who is considered to be the "father of all Cuban exile groups," [REDACTED] MASFERRER, although desirous of participating in an invasion of

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Haiti, did not want to violate United States laws, or be stopped by United States authorities while embarking on such a venture. To this end, he sought advice from MARQUEZ STERLING, and it was MARQUEZ STERLING who was to seek contact with appropriate United States officials for approval for MASFERRER and his group to participate in the invasion.

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(b7d) [redacted] expressed the opinion that MASFERRER would not attempt to participate in the Haitian invasion without United States Government approval. In anticipation of this possible approval, some of MASFERRER's followers have travelled to Miami, Florida, area. [redacted] did not know MASFERRER's current whereabouts.

[redacted] does not know any Haitians and has never been contacted by any Haitians concerning invasion plans.

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[REDACTED] he did not attend the meeting in
New York City [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
advised that MASFERRER has departed for Miami either on August 10
or August 11, 1963. He stated that he had received this
information from sources he considers to be reliable. He
refused, however, to identify the identities of his sources.

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[REDACTED]

Interviews with several Haitian exiles prominent in Haitian politics in the New York area, advised that they are unaware of the fact that any Cubans were part of the Haitian invasion led by General LEON CANTAVE. These exiles further advised that they could not furnish any information concerning leaders and members of a group of 200 Cuban exiles which allegedly was prepared to leave New York City and to join the CANTAVE invasion forces.

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HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITIReference Bureau teletype to Miami 8/16/63;
Miami airtels and LHMs to Bureau 8/12, 15 and 19/63;
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(b7c) With reference to Bureau airtel 8/23/63, it is felt that no logical purpose would be served in reinterviewing [REDACTED] as it appears obvious that [REDACTED] along with other close friends and relatives of MASFERRER, are covering for MASFERRER. Previous investigation has disclosed the MASFERRER group is very clannish and that his friends and associates both fear and admire him. They are all aware that MASFERRER will most likely be placed in detention by INS should he be located in the Miami area.

referred
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(b7c) Will attempt to locate and interview any defectees among the group who stayed at the Senate Hotel, Miami, who may have returned to New York. It is to be noted that only 13 of the original 18 who registered at the Senate Hotel are now at No Name Key. Previous investigation has disclosed that some of the men at the Senate Hotel reportedly returned to New York. Will also locate and interview [REDACTED] concerning present whereabouts of MASFERRER.

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1. Will attempt to locate and interview [REDACTED] (b7c)

2. Will attempt to locate and interview
ROLANDO MASFERRER.

3. Will maintain liaison with [REDACTED] INS, and other (referred)
local agencies for pertinent information, and will continue
efforts through logical sources and informants, to obtain
complete facts concerning this matter.

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Previous investigation has reflected that ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, former Cuban Senator, presently residing in New York City, allegedly had sent a group of Cuban exiles from the New York area to Miami, for the purpose of participating in an invasion of Haiti, and that, some of these men had reportedly gone down to the Florida Keys to a camp for training.

Close friends and relatives of MASFERRER, when interviewed, denied any knowledge of these allegations and claimed that MASFERRER had not been in the Miami area, despite reports to the contrary.

It is to be noted that during the BATISTA regime, while serving as Senator from Oriente Province, MASFERRER was the head of a so-called "goon squad" commonly known as "The Tigers." MASFERRER acquired a reputation of being ruthless, but was at the same time an enemy of FIDEL CASTRO. He is still regarded with considerable fear by many Cubans, and at the same time he has the staunch support of his followers.

He has been excluded from the Miami area and restricted to the New York area by the Immigration and

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Naturalization Service (INS), and he is subject to arrest and detention for violation of his parole status, if found in the Miami area, as has been previously reported.

Previous investigation in New York reflected

that

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[REDACTED] did not know [REDACTED] nor anything regarding any group of men being gathered together by MASFERRER. He was not acquainted with any Cubans from the New York area who had been staying at the Senate Hotel. He claimed to possess no knowledge of any operation involving Haiti.

Previous investigation by the U. S. Border Patrol, Miami, reflected that a group of men believed to be Cubans, at No Name Key, has been built up from five to approximately 20 or 30, during a period of several days prior to August 18, 1963.

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[REDACTED]
Big Pine Key, Florida, advised on August 19, 1963, he had observed five carloads of Cubans arrive on Big Pine Key on August 16, 1963, where they purchased miscellaneous foodstuffs and then drove to the Old Wooden Bridge Fishing Camp. The group, number approximately 25, had a U-Haul trailer behind one of the vehicles. He was able to furnish the license numbers of two of the vehicles, 1-39872 (1963 Florida), [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and 1-69837.

(b7c) [REDACTED] stated that when the group arrived at the fishing camp they rented a boat and went directly to No Name Key. He stated the trailer was unloaded and appeared to contain luggage. He stated he did not see any guns or ammunition.

[REDACTED] advised that on the morning of August 19, 1963, he had observed another vehicle with three Cubans, departing the vicinity of Big Pine Key. He described the vehicle as a 1957 Chevrolet bearing 1963 Florida license 1-33002, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The car appeared to be driven by a medium sized Cuban with a prominent black mustache.

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(b7c) On August 19, 1963, [REDACTED] U.S. Coast Guard, Marathon, Florida, advised the Coast Guard had assisted in landing four Customs agents on No Name Key on the night of August 16, 1963. They located approximately 16 Cubans dressed in Army fatigues, who claimed to be members of the 2506th Brigade, recently discharged from the U.S. Army. The group claimed they were on No Name Key to take photographs of army maneuvers for propaganda purposes and to raise funds. They claimed to have the permission of the owner to occupy the premises and would remain on the key for 2 or 3 days. A search by the Customs agents did not reflect any concealed weapons.

(b7c) [REDACTED] advised the Coast Guard was maintaining routine patrols in the area and would advise of any untoward activity. He added that the U.S. Coast Guard patrol planes pass in the vicinity of No Name Key about twice a day.

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It is to be noted that of this group, the following 13 appeared to be identical to persons of the same name who were among the 18 registered at the Senate Hotel, from the New York area, shortly prior to and after August 9, 1963:

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It is to be recalled that when five of the men at the Senate Hotel were interviewed on August 9, 1963, they denied any connection with MASFERRER's alleged plan to invade Haiti or Cuba, or any plans for training in Florida.

Fla.
On August 21, 1963, SANTIAGO ~~ALVAREZ~~ RODRIGUEZ, *cut* 541 N.W. 45th Avenue, Miami, former Cuban Senator exiled in Miami, and now one of the leaders of an anti-CASTRO action group known as Comandos L, advised he possessed no information concerning any plan of ROLANDO MASFERRER to invade Haiti or any other country. ALVAREZ claimed he had not seen ROLANDO during the recent past, and had no knowledge of his having been in the Miami area. He stated, however, that RODOLFO MASFERRER, a brother of ROLANDO, was at the home of ALVAREZ several days previously, to treat ALVAREZ' teeth, as RODOLFO is a Dentist by profession.

It is to be noted that previous investigation had reflected that ROLANDO MASFERRER was reportedly at the home of ALVAREZ on August 14 or 15, 1963, along with several other individuals.

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[REDACTED] 51

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[REDACTED] disclaimed
any knowledge of any plan involving MASFERRER to over-
throw the present Haitian government.

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[REDACTED] possessed no information concerning
the presence of MASFERRER in the Miami area.

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however,
he had not seen anyone fitting the description of ROLANDO
MASFERRER, and had observed no organized Cuban activity
in that area.

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Observation in the Fellsmere, Florida, area failed to reveal any indication of organized Cuban activity.

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Previous investigation has reflected that ZAYAS is a close associate and confederate of MASFERRER, and would be unlikely to inform against him.

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He said that he is not of the same political mind as ROLANDO MASFERRER, but he met MASFERRER [REDACTED] He said MASFERRER asked him if he would be interested in a plan

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to secure a base in Haiti and then attack Cuba from this base, after the current Haitian government was overthrown. He said he told MASFERRER he was not interested in this plan to aid the overthrow of the DUVALIER government in Haiti.

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[REDACTED] advised that he would answer any questions that he felt did not interfere with the overthrow of the CASTRO government. He said he would cooperate fully with the FBI in any plan which would aid, in overthrowing CASTRO and Communism, but he would decline to answer any question he felt would interfere with getting rid of CASTRO and his government.

He said he did not know the whereabouts of MASFERRER and did not know that MASFERRER was not permitted to be in the Miami, Florida, area by the United States government.

He said he did not have a very long conversation with MASFERRER and did not discuss any of the following subjects with him:

1. No mention was made of overthrowing President BOSCH in the Dominican Republic.
2. MASFERRER made no mention of Brigade 2506.
3. MASFERRER made no mention of assistance to obtain men, guns, airplanes or money to be sent to Haiti or any other place.

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4. No mention was made of the Isle of Pines or the invasion of this island.
5. MASFERRER made no mention of staying on a small farm on the outskirts of Miami.

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[REDACTED] he had not seen any of MASFERRER's men in Miami, but the Cuban colony in Miami was talking about the rumored build-up of MASFERRER's men in the Miami area.

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 12 copies of letterhead memo; 2 copies enclosed for New York; one copy forwarded for information of Washington Field because that office has outstanding leads in this matter.

Copies are being furnished locally to [redacted] U. S. Customs, INS, U. S. Border Patrol, U.S. Dept. of State Office of Coordinator of Cuban Affairs, U. S. Coast Guard, ONI, OSI, G-2.

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On 8/16/63 RODOLFO MASFERRER volunteered to telephonically contact his brother, ROLANDO, on the following day to request his brother to immediately contact the New York Office for interview.

New York, in the event MASFERRER contacts that office, will thoroughly interview him concerning this case.

Miami will continue investigation at No Name Key and through local informants, sources and contacts, to ascertain if MASFERRER is preparing to set up a camp or to launch an attack against Haiti, or to set up a base of operations in any foreign country, as well as to determine if he has been in the Miami area recently.

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Miami, Florida

August 19, 1963

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Previous investigation has reflected that Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, former Cuban Senator, presently residing in New York City, allegedly had sent a group of Cuban exiles from the New York area to Miami for the purpose of participating in an invasion of Haiti, and that, reportedly, some of these men had gone down to the Florida Keys to a camp for training.

Investigation also disclosed that Masferrer reportedly had departed on August 11, 1963 from New York for the Miami area.

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Four FBI agents conducted these interviews, beginning at about 1:00 P.M., working in teams of two each. The Cuban exiles were interviewed in their rooms on the third floor of the Senate Hotel. Each Cuban was interviewed separately. No search was made during the interviews, and the investigating agents observed no hand grenades, compasses or any weapons, but did observe uniforms which the Cubans claimed to have bought at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, where they had received military training.

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At no time was any property seized by the agents during their investigation at the Senate Hotel; at no time was any agent approached by an American who came to the hotel with Antonio Rojas or anyone else.

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[REDACTED] insisted he had no knowledge of Rolando Masferrer being in the Miami area, and he claimed to have no knowledge concerning the present whereabouts of the Cuban exiles [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] said he had heard that a group of Cubans from New York City had come to Miami to enlist for training at a camp to be set up in Nicaragua. However, he claimed to have no knowledge that this camp or any other camp was being set up under the direction of Masferrer, and claimed to have no knowledge that Masferrer had come to Miami during the recent past.

On August 16, 1963, Rodolfo ~~Masferrer~~ ~~Rojas~~ was interviewed at his residence, 3500 Southwest 10th Street, Apartment 1, where he is residing under the name of Alfredo ~~Rojas~~ to avoid notoriety, inasmuch as he is the brother of Rolando Masferrer.

He stated he had last talked to his brother, Rolando, in New York City by long distance telephone on

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August 11, 1963, but has no knowledge that Rolando has come to Miami. He claimed to have no knowledge concerning a group of Cuban exiles making preparations to attack Haiti or any other country under the direction of his brother.

(b7c) He recalled that on the previous Monday or Tuesday [redacted] telephoned him, stating he was in Miami and desired to leave the United States on some mission to Nicaragua or Guatemala because he had marital difficulties and wanted to get away from his wife. [redacted] told Rodolfo Masferrer that he had enlisted with Artime's group to go to a camp in Nicaragua, but had no immediate plans for departure.

Rodolfo Masferrer denied any knowledge of plans by his brother, Rolando, to attack Haiti, and knew of no armed forces being assembled under Rolando's direction.

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b7d) [redacted] has no knowledge of his being in Miami. He said he heard that a group of Cubans, recently at the Senate Hotel in Miami, planned to go to Nicaragua for training, but claimed to possess no knowledge of their being here under the direction of Masferrer.

[redacted] advised he had received information from [redacted]

[redacted] had driven Rolando Masferrer from a farm near Miami

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to an unknown location in or near Key West, Florida, during the past week. He described [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He possessed no further details.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed at [REDACTED] He stated he is a personal friend of Rolando Masferrer. He last saw Masferrer [REDACTED]

He said Masferrer did not mention planning any kind of expedition to Haiti, the Dominican Republic or Nicaragua. He denied having seen Masferrer since [REDACTED] and denied [REDACTED]

On August 18, 1963, Elmo Rainbolt, Chief of United States Border Patrol, Miami, advised that his Service had ascertained through aerial reconnaissance that a group of men, believed to be Cubans, at No Name Key, located near Key West, has been built up during the past few days from five to approximately twenty or thirty. Some of these men are dressed in uniforms and some possess what appear to be submachine guns and rifles. No boats have been observed at No Name Key. Mr. Rainbolt did not know to what group, if any, these Cubans belong.

It is to be noted No Name Key, which can not be reached by land, has been almost continuously used by small groups of Cubans for training purposes.

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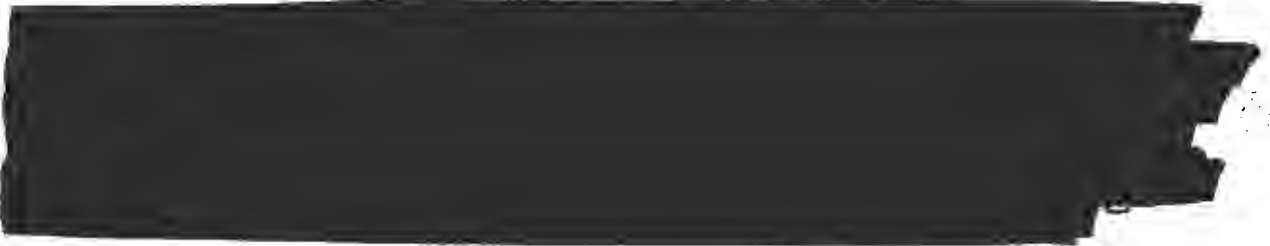
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dates to Bureau concerning a group of Cuban exiles at the
Senate Hotel, Miami, who had come here for the alleged pur-
pose of participating in an armed operation against Haiti
under the direction of ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS.

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(b2) as coordinator, went to the vicinity of the Senate Hotel on 8/9/63 at 1:00 P.M. [redacted] and [redacted] proceeded into the hotel, [redacted]

[redacted] obtained room numbers of individuals from New York at the hotel. The four agents, in two teams: [redacted] and [redacted] and [redacted] proceeded to the third floor of the hotel and separately interviewed individuals listed in Miami teletype 8/9/63. No search was made during interviews, and absolutely nothing was seized. Army uniforms were observed which these persons said were purchased at Ft. Jackson, S.C. where they had just finished training.

(b2) [redacted]
[redacted] The agents left the hotel at about 3:00 P.M.

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Miami should interview individuals named in the
enclosures regarding alleged plan of Rolando Arcadio Masferrer
Rojas and his group to assist in invasion of Haiti unless
information in Miami files precludes such interviews.
(b7c) Specifically, [REDACTED] who
is known to Miami, should be interviewed regarding allegation
he financed travel of 200 Cubans from New York to Miami to
assist in the invasion.

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TO DIRECTOR -8- 2-1622 AND SAC MIAMI 2-156

FROM SAC NEW YORK 105-58120

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS., IS- CUBA., IS- HAITI, NEUTRALITY
MATTERS.

THE NYO OF INS ADVISED, INSTANT DATE, THAT THEIR MIAMI OFFICE
ADVISED THEM THAT MASFERRER IS IN MIAMI AREA. MIAMI, INS, HAD
BEEN INSTRUCTED BY CENTRAL OFFICE OF INS, WDC, TO PICK UP MASFERRER
FOR VIOLATION OF PAROLE.

MIAMI WILL MAINTAIN CLOSE LIAISON WITH MIAMI, INS, AND IN EVENT
MASFERRER IS APPREHENDED, WILL INTERVIEW HIM CONCERNING HIS INVOLVEMENT
IN CUBAN AS WELL AS HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES.

END AND PLS ACK...

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: August 28, 1963

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

CLASS. & EXT. BY 2842 Pw/BA/oms
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2
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SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA - HAITI

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Re Miami airtel with letterhead memorandum,
to Bureau, 8/26/63.

Enclosed are 12 copies of letterhead memorandum
dated and captioned as above.

Copies of this letterhead memorandum have been
furnished to the following local agencies: ONI, OSI,
ACofS, G-2, Coordinator of Cuban Affairs, Department of
State, Miami, U. S. Coast Guard, 1 - U. S. Customs, Miami,
1 - U. S. Customs, Region II, Border Patrol, INS.

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MIAMI:

for review at FILED by
HSCA re 8/22/77 request.
AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Copy to: CIA/State/2 AAG-Yeagley
ONI/OSI/ACSI/DIA/INS/Ch
by routing slip for info. Customs
Date 9/4/63 ACM/PC

Will continue efforts to locate and interview
ROLANDO MASFERRER and to develop further information concern-
ing his alleged plans.

- ② - Bureau (Enc. 12) ENCLOSURE
- 1 - New York (Enc. 1) (info) (RM) REC 31
- 1 - Washington Field (Enc. 1) (info) (RM)
- 5 - Miami (1 - 105-1597) (HAITIAN REV.)
- 1 - neb (1 - 105-1742) (ANTI-CASTRO)
- (9) (1 - 105-5147) (CRC)

2-1622-209

*Excl
11/2/63 by
RYS. SLIP.*

*Place 638 Let 1 LHM
in 105-95677 (Haitian
Revolutionary Activities)*

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

MM 2-156

Miami, Florida
August 28, 1963

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Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA - HAITI

Previous investigation has reflected that ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, former Cuban Senator who has been excluded from the Miami area by an official order of the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), sent a group of Cuban exiles from the New York area to Miami relative to plans for an invasion of Haiti to secure base of operations against the CASTRO regime of Cuba. Investigation indicated that a group of Cuban exiles, reportedly associated with MASFERRER, stayed at the Senate Hotel in Miami during the early part of August, 1963, and then went to No Name Key, Florida, for training.

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Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

(b1)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(b2)
(b7C)

[REDACTED] He said he has had no contact with MASFERRER since that time, and knew nothing regarding MASFERRER's plans or men. He said he did not know that MASFERRER had any men in Miami, and claimed to have had nothing to do with MASFERRER's men coming to Miami from New York or any other city.

[REDACTED]

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94-205

Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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(b2, b7d) [REDACTED] had no idea as to the identity of the person who would report information that he is in any way associated with MASFERRER. He said he did not know the whereabouts of MASFERRER, and knew of no other person who would know how to locate MASFERRER.

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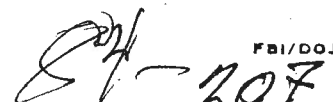
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URGENT 8-30-63 8-16 PM EST PFC
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /2-1622/ AND SAC, NEW YORK
FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/ 1-P

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON
ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, IS-CUBA, NM.

REMMTEL TODAY.

TODAY INS, MIAMI PLACED STATE WIDE POLICE AND FLORIDA HIGHWAY
PATROL LOOKOUT ON MASFERRER, BUT HAS RECEIVED NO NOTIFICATION OF HIS
ARREST.

IDENT DIVISION, FBI, REQUESTED IMMEDIATELY [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ON ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, AKA
ROLANDO ROJAS, BORN JANUARY TWELVE, NINETEEN EIGHTEEN, CUBA, AND NOTIFY
NEW YORK AND MIAMI IMMEDIATELY [REDACTED]

MM CONTINUING EFFORTS LOCATE AND INTERVIEW MASFERRER.

END AND ACK PLS

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1 - Nasca
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Airtel

To: SAC, Miami (105-1597)
From: Director, FBI (105-25677)

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HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
IS - HAITI

[REDACTED]

1 - New York (105-5509)
1 - WFO (105-40360)

① 2-1622 (Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas)

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Airtel to SAC, Miami
Re: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
105-95677

referred

Miami is referred to New York teletype 8/13/63 requesting that Masferrer be interviewed and to Buairtel 8/20/63 instructing that activities of Masferrer and his group be thoroughly investigated to determine whether neutrality laws or the Registration Act had been violated. Miami was instructed to give this matter continuous and preferred attention and to report under appropriate caption.

Miami is instructed to advise by airtel to Bureau status of this investigation and earliest date report can be expected. If report has been submitted, advise caption used.

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URGENT 8-30-63 1-06 PM EST SHR
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /2-1622/ AND SAC, NEW YORK
NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON
FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/ 2 P
ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, IS DASH CUBA/ NM.
REBUREL AUGUST TWENTY NINE LAST.

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referred

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2-1622-211

INS HAS RECEIVED COMMUNICATION FROM INS, NEW YORK CITY,
ADVISING THAT INS SENT NOTICE TO MASFERRER-S NEW YORK ADDRESS
ORDERING HIM TO APPEAR AT INS ON AUGUST TWENTY EIGHT.
END PAGE ONE

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PAGE TWO

MASFERRER-S SON CAME TO INS, STATING HIS FATHER WAS PREVENTED BY BUSINESS FROM APPEARING ON THAT DATE BUT WOULD APPEAR ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER TWO NEXT. INS THEN SET DATE FOR SEPTEMBER FOUR NEXT FOR MASFERRER-S APPEARANCE THERE.

EFFORTS BY INS AND FBI TO LOCATE MASFERRER ARE CONTINUING BUT NEGATIVE TO DATE.

NEW YORK REQUESTED MAINTAIN CLOSE CONTACT WITH INS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND REALERT LOGICAL SOURCES AS IT APPEARS MASFERRER MAY ALREADY BE IN NEW YORK AREA.

CORR PAGE ONE, LINE EIGHT, WORD SEVEN SHD BE IDENTITY

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OK FOR RELAY YES OK FOR RELAY TO NY

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URGENT 9-4-63 11-35 PM DE
TO DIRECTOR -16- 2-1622 AND SAC MIAMI 2-156
FROM SAC NEW YORK 105-38120
ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS., IS- CUBA

INS, NYC, ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT MASFERRER WAS IN OFFICE OF INS, NYC, AT NINE AM FOR INTERVIEW. [REDACTED] INS, NYC, ADVISED THAT INS DISMISSED MASFERRER AT ELEVEN FIFTEEN AM, THIS DATE. [REDACTED] STATED MASFERRER WAS WILLING TO TALK ABOUT ANYTHING EXCEPT HIS ACTIVITIES DURING MONTH OF AUGUST, SIXTY THREE. INS, NYC, CONTACTED INS, MIAMI, TO ASCERTAIN IF INS, MIAMI, DESIRED MASFERRER DETAINED, AND INS, MIAMI, STATED THEIR INSTRUCTIONS WERE TO APPREHEND MASFERRER IF LOCATED IN MIAMI AREA.

(b7c) CENTRAL OFFICE, INS, WDC, CONTACTED AND ADVISED INS, NYC, THAT [REDACTED] US DEPARTMENT OF STATE, ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT USDS WAS NOT PRESENTLY INTERESTED IN THE DETENTION OF MASFERRER. [REDACTED] STATED THAT UPON RECEIPT OF THESE INSTRUCTIONS INS, NYC, DISMISSED MASFERRER, AND INSTRUCTED HIM THAT IF HE INTENDED TO LEAVE THE NEW YORK AREA, HE SHOULD OBTAIN INS PERMISSION BEFOREHAND. [REDACTED] STATED THAT DURING INTERVIEW WITH MASFERRER, MASFERRER DECLINED TO STATE WHETHER OR NOT HE HAD LEFT THE NEW YORK AREA ON THE GROUNDS THAT IT MAY TEND TO INCRIMINATE HIM.

MASFERRER CONTACTED THIS DATE BY NYO, AND ARRANGEMENTS MADE TO INTERVIEW HIM IN NYO MORNING OF SEPTEMBER FIVE, NEXT.

RESULTS OF INTERVIEW WITH MASFERRER WILL BE FURNISHED BUREAU AND MIAMI.

END AND PLS ACK....

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URGENT 9-4-63 10-06 AM EST MSB

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /2-1622/ AND SAC, NEW YORK /105-5503/
FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/ /P/ 1 P
ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS. IS DASH CUBA.

REMYTELS TO BUREAU AUGUST THIRTY LAST.

INS, MIAMI, ADVISED NINE FIFTEEN AM TODAY THAT ROLANDO
MASFERRER PRESENTLY IS AT INS DISTRICT OFFICE, NYC, BEING
INTERVIEWED AND CAN BE CONTACTED THROUGH DISTRICT DIRECTOR P. A.
ESPERDY IF INTERVIEW DESIRED BY FBI.

SUGGEST NEW YORK IMMEDIATELY CONTACT INS AND ARRANGE TO
INTERVIEW MASFERRER CONCERNING ALLEGED PLANS TO INVADE HAITI.
END AND ACK PLS

WA 11--0 11-10 AM OK FBI WA RM

NY 11-07 AM OK FBI NY JLW

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 9/4/63

FROM : SAC, WFO (2-270) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA;
IS - HAITI;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS
(OO:NY)

Rereport of SA [REDACTED] at New York, (b7c)
dated 8/19/63.

(b2c) (b7d) The only information developed concerning subject,
[REDACTED] either through [REDACTED] at the U.S. Department of State,
and logical sources in the Haitian field has been reported
under the HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES case. Further,
no information was developed to identify any other leaders
and members of the group of 200 Cuban exiles which allegedly
was prepared to leave New York City to join the Haitian
invasion forces. No information was developed concerning
arms and equipment to be utilized by these forces or any
additional information concerning the extent, the plans
or conspiracy to invade Haiti was formulated in the United
States.

- 3-Bureau
(1 - 105-95677) (Haitian Revolutionary Activities)
- 3-New York (RM)
(1 - 105-55031) (Haitian Revolutionary Activities) (RM)
- 2-WFO
(1 - 105-40360) (Haitian Revolutionary Activities)

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TO SACs MIAMI (2-156)
NEW YORK (105-5503)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (2-1622)

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, IS - CUBA - HAITI,
RA - HAITI, NEUTRALITY MATTERS; BUDED SEPTEMBER SIXTEEN,
NEXT.

REMMTEL SEPTEMBER FIVE, LAST.

MIAMI REFER TO BUREAU AIRTEL AUGUST TWENTY, LAST, RE
HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES, INSTRUCTING THAT
ACTIVITIES OF MASFERRER AND HIS GROUP INDICATING VIOLATIONS
OF NEUTRALITY STATUTES BE THOROUGHLY INVESTIGATED AND
GIVEN CONTINUOUS AND PREFERRED ATTENTION.

19 SEP 9 1963

MIAMI IMMEDIATELY INTERVIEW REMAINDER MASFERRER'S
GROUP WHICH VOLUNTARILY APPEARED AT MIAMI PD. IN VIEW OF
NATURE OF INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED AND THREAT ALLEGEDLY MADE
BY MASFERRER TO [REDACTED] SIGNED STATEMENTS SHOULD
BE SECURED FROM [REDACTED] AND THOSE INVOLVED. STATEMENTS

(b7c)
Tolson _____
Belmont _____
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TELETYPE TO SACs MIAMI AND NEWYORK
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
2-1622

SHOULD INCLUDE ALL PERTINENT DETAILS REGARDING CONSPIRACY
AND PREPARATION FOR INVASION AS WELL AS RECRUITING. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (b7d)
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
VERIFY STATEMENTS OF MEMBERS OF GROUP THROUGH INVESTIGATION
OR OTHER INTERVIEWS WHERE POSSIBLE. REMAIN ALERT FOR
INFORMATION INDICATING VIOLATIONS OF REGISTRATION ACT..
KEEP BUREAU CURRENTLY ADVISED OF ANY IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS
AND SUREP TO REACH BUREAU BY SEPTEMBER SIXTEEN, NEXT.

NEW YORK PROMPTLY FURNISH RESULTS OF INTERVIEW OF
MASFERRER IN REPORT FORM.

NOTE: Remaitre reported 14 Cuban exiles had voluntarily
appeared at Miami, PD wanting to give information to PD and
FBI. Miami has interviewed five of these persons who claimed
they were recruited by Masferrer for expedition against
Cuba but later advised by him the destination actually was
Haiti to overthrow Duvalier's Government. They claimed
Masferrer brought station wagon loaded with weapons to Miami
to be used in connection with the plot but that Masferrer
subsequently abandoned the men leaving them to fend for
themselves in Miami. Masferrer was located in New York 9/4/63
by INS and New York had arranged to interview him 9/5/63.

SEE NOTE CONTINUED PAGE 3

TELETYPE TO SACs MAIMI AND NEW YORK
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
2-1622

NOTE CONTINUED:

We have previously received information that Masferrer, a Cuban exile, planned to lead other Cuban exiles in an invasion of Haiti pursuant to an arrangement Masferrer had with Leon Cantave. Cantave launched a small invasion of Haiti on 8/5/63.

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FBI

AUG 15 1963

Date:

Transmit the following in AIRTEL

(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRMAIL

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-95677)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (105-1597) (P)

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
IS - HAITI

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CLASS. & EXT. BY SP6 JAL/MS
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.22 p 2
DATE OF REVIEW 8/15/83

Re Miami airtel to Bureau, 8/12/63; New York
airtel to the Bureau, 8/13/63.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 12 copies
of a letterhead memorandum, dated and captioned as
above, at Miami. One copy of this letterhead memorandum
is furnished to Washington Field in view of their interest
in this matter.

Enclosed for New York are 2 copies of the above
letterhead memorandum.

Copies of this letterhead memorandum are being
furnished locally to ██████████ U.S. Customs, INS, U.S. Border
Patrol, U. S. Department of State Coordinator of Cuban
Affairs, U. S. Coast Guard, ONI, OSI, G-2, OSI.

- 3 - Bureau (AM) (RM) (Enc-12) **ENCLOSURE**
2 - New York (105-5503) (Enc-2) (AM) (RM)
1 - Washington Field (Enc-1) (Info) (AM) (RM)
6 - Miami

(2 - 105-1597)

(1 - 105-1742) (Anti-FIDEL CASTRO Activities)

(1 - 2-156) (MASFERRER)

(1 - 105-7074) (Brigade 2506)

(1 - 2-165) (PRIO)

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Approved:

Special Agent in Charge

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Per

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AT NEW YORK CITY

1. Will attempt to obtain verification of the return to New York of the Cubans who were registered at the Senate Hotel at Miami by interviews with selected individuals mentioned in Miami letterhead memo dated 8/12/63, instant case.

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2. Will interview [REDACTED] New York City, concerning the alleged plans of PRIO and ARTIME to set up camp in Nicaragua.

MIAMI

Miami is continuing its investigation to locate and interview MASFERRER concerning instant matter and is also conducting investigation relative to alleged plans of PRIO to set up a camp in Nicaragua under substantive case on PRIO and related cases.

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Re: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

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On August 13, 1963, LOUIS GIDEL, Assistant Director of Immigration and Naturalization in Charge of Travel Control, Miami, Florida, advised that an examination of airplane manifests of outgoing travel from Miami to Nicaragua and the Dominican Republic has reflected no noticeable increase in travel to either of those countries by Cuban exiles.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /2-1622/ AND SAC, NEW YORK /105-5503/

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/ 1 P

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS. IS DASH CUBA.

REBUTEL, SEPT. SIX, LAST, MIAMI TELS, SEPT. FIVE AND SIX, LAST., MIAMI LHM SEPT. SEVEN, INSTANT.

CUBANS ASSOCIATED WITH MASFERRER WHO APPEARED AT OFFICE

(b7c) OF [REDACTED] MIAMI PD, ON SEPT. FIVE, LAST, HAD NO FIXED MIAMI ADDRESSES. THEY INDICATED THAT THEY INTENDED TO IMMEDIATELY RETURN TO NEW YORK AND ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN EMPLOYMENT. INFO OBTAINED FROM THE FIVE KEY MEMBERS OF THE ABOVE GROUP SET OUT IN REFERENCED MIAMI LHM. MIAMI WILL ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE REMAINING MEMBERS OF THIS GROUP AND HAVE THEM INTERVIEWED IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS SET OUT IN REBUTEL.

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TO DIRECTOR /2-1622/ AND SAC, NEW YORK /105-5503/

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, IS DASH CUBA, NM

REMYTEL SEPTEMBER FIVE LAST.

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[REDACTED]

TODAY WALLACE SHANLEY, US CUSTOMS, ADVISED HIS AGENCY IS
NOW IN PROCESS OF SEIZING THREE BOMB CASINGS, ONE BAZOOKA, EIGHT
HUNDRED ROUNDS AMMUNITION, QUANTITY MILITARY CLOTHING AND
MEDICINES LOCATED AT SEVENTEEN SIXTEEN S.W. ELEVENTH ST., WHICH,
ACCORDING TO CUSTOMS INFORMANT, BELONGS TO ANTONIO ROJAS. NOTED
ROJAS IS COUSIN OF MASFERRER AND WAS IN CHARGE OF COLLECTING AND
CONCEALING WEAPONS FOR MASFERRER RECRUITS IN MIAMI.

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NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, IS - CUBA, NEUTRALITY MATTER.

RE MM AIRTEL TO BUREAU SEPTEMBER SIX AND MM TEL TO BUREAU
SEPTEMBER SEVEN. OO NEW YORK.

TODAY MIAMI INTERVIEWED AND OBTAINED SIGNED STATEMENTS,
WHERE WILLING, FROM FOLLOWING CUBANS.. [REDACTED]

INVESTIGATION REVEALS THAT "AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF RECENTLY 1963
HAVE ALREADY RETURNED TO NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY AREA, INCLUDING

AND FOLLOWING MEN WHOSE ADDRESSES CAN BE SUPPLIED

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FOR INFORMATION OF NEWARK, MASFERRER, A FORMER CUBAN SENATOR WHO HAS BEEN RESTRICTED TO NY AREA BY AN INS ORDER DUE TO PREVIOUS REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITY, RECRUITED CUBAN EXILES IN NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY AREA ABOUT ONE AND ONE HALF MONTHS AGO FOR EXPEDITION AGAINST CASTRO. RECRUITING OFFICE LOCATED THREE FOUR SIX WEST FORTYFIFTH STREET, NYC. UPON MASFERRER-S INSTRUCTIONS, THESE RECRUITS, AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE, PURCHASED ARMS AND EQUIPMENT IN NY AREA, PROCEEDED MIAMI, TURNED OVER THEIR ARMS TO ANTONIO ROJAS, COUSIN OF MASFERRER, IN MIAMI, AND WENT TO A CAMP NEAR PERRINE AND THEN TO NO NAME KEY. IN MIAMI AREA THEY LEARNED MASFERRER WAS FIRST SENDING THEM TO HAITI TO OVERTHROW DUVALIER GOVERNMENT, IN RETURN FOR BASE OF OPERATIONS AGAINST CASTRO. SHORTLY THEREAFTER THEY RETURNED MIAMI TO LEARN THEY HAD BEEN ABANDONED BY MASFERRER WHO HAD RETURNED TO NYC.

(b7c) | NEWARK LOCATE AND OBTAIN SIGNED STATEMENTS FROM [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

SUGGEST NYC CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AT MASFERRER-S RECRUITING OFFICE THREE FOUR SIX WEST FOUR FIVE STREET. CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATE MASFERRER MAY HAVE TRANSPORTED LOAD OF GUNS AND EXPLOSIVES FROM MIAMI TO NYC IN A STATION WAGON.

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MIAMI NOT SUBMITTING COMMUNICATION SUITABLE FOR DISSEMINATION
AS TODAYS INTERVIEWS MERELY SUPPLEMENT INFORMATION FURNISHED
BY REFERENCED AIRTEL SEPTEMBER SIX LAST. MIAMI WILL SUBMIT
COMPREHENSIVE REPORT BY SEPTEMBER THIRTEEN, INCLUDING RESULTS TODAYS
INTERVIEWS.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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FROM DIRECTOR FBI (2-1622)

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RA - HAITI, NEUTRALITY MATTERS; BUDED SEPTEMBER NINETEEN, NEXT.
RENYAIRTEL AND LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM SEPTEMBER SIX, LAST
AND BUREAU TELETYPE TO NEW YORK AND MIAMI SEPTEMBER SIX, LAST.

NEW YORK EXPEDITE IDENTIFICATION AND INTERVIEW OF MEMBERS
OF MASFERRER'S GROUP. SECURE ALL DETAILS REGARDING RECRUITMENT,
CONSPIRACY TO INVADE AND ALL ACTIVITY IN FURTHERANCE TO INVADE
CUBA AND HAITI. FURNISH ADDRESSES OF ANY OF THESE INDIVIDUALS
RESIDING IN NEWARK DIVISION SO THAT NEWARK CAN DO LIKEWISE.
SIGNED STATEMENTS SHOULD BE TAKEN FROM THESE INDIVIDUALS IN
VIEW OF CHARACTER OF INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED AND ALLEGED THREAT
OF MASFERRER THAT HE WOULD DEAL PERSONALLY WITH INDIVIDUALS
WHO GAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE MATTER. REPORT SHOULD
REACH BUREAU BY SEPTEMBER NINETEEN, NEXT.

MIAMI INTERVIEW ADDITIONAL WITNESSES TO ACTIVITIES OF
MASFERRER AND HIS GROUP SET FORTH IN REAIRTEL AND MEMORANDUM.

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TELETYPE TO SACs NEW YORK
MIAMI
NEWARK

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MISFERRER ROJAS
2-1622

SIGNED STATEMENTS SHOULD BE SECURED WHERE POSSIBLE AND
FD-THREE ZERO TWO'S SHOULD BE USED. REPORT OF THIS ADDITIONAL
INVESTIGATION AND THAT INSTRUCTED TO BE CONDUCTED IN RE
BUREAU TELETYPE SHOULD REACH BUREAU BY SEPTEMBER NINETEEN, NEXT.

NOTE:

Misferrer is Cuban exile who, from information developed
thus far, recruited other Cuban exiles in New York and Newark
area for an invasion of Haiti. Investigation to date reveals
rather clearly that neutrality statutes have been violated and
instructions, therefore, are being issued to expedite complete
investigation.

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Memorandum

TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: September 10, 1963

FROM : W. R. Wannall

1 - Belmont
1 - Sullivan
1 - Wannall
1 - Nasca
1 - Meier

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
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Masferrer, Cuban exile leader, has been engaged in efforts to reinforce rebel forces in Haiti. Director has instructed that we bear down on this case and this memorandum summarizes current developments.

Inquiries by Miami and New York have shown that during early August, 1963, Masferrer recruited and sent to Miami a group of Cuban exiles who at his instructions purchased arms and other military equipment and proceeded to Miami area at his direction. Initially, this group was under the impression it was to invade Cuba; however, after arriving in Florida they learned that it was actually intended that they reinforce Haitian rebel forces under the leadership of General Leon Cantave who have been engaged in efforts to overthrow Haitian dictator Francois Duvalier. Subsequently, word was received that Cantave no longer desired assistance and this venture thereupon collapsed. Most of the group involved have, in fact, returned to their homes.

On interview, Masferrer admitted that he had agreed to assist Cantave in the latter's invasion of Haiti in return for an agreement that Cantave, if successful, would later allow Masferrer to use Haiti as a base of operations against Cuba. Masferrer said that a number of his followers had traveled from New York area to Miami at their own expense in connection with this affair, but he declined to say whether he had been in the Miami area. In the latter connection, subject is under Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) parole and is restricted to New York area and, accordingly, any admission on his part that he has been in Miami area would tend to incriminate him.

Bureau of Customs on 9/6/63 seized various weapons, ammunition and military supplies at the home of Masferrer's cousin. This material evidently had been collected in furtherance of the proposed expedition to Haiti.

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1 - 105-95677 (Haitian Revolutionary Activities)

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Memorandum for Mr. Sullivan
Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
2-1622

We are thoroughly investigating all neutrality aspects of this case, including expedite interviews with the individual members of Masferrer's group. Although our investigation is continuing, facts developed to date would appear to indicate violations of the neutrality laws in this case. Accordingly, it is believed we should secure an early opinion from Department.

ACTION:

Attached for approval is letter to Internal Security Division of Department enclosing copies of two memoranda summarizing recent developments and requesting early advice from Department as to whether facts indicate violations of the neutrality laws.

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FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA; RM
(OO: Miami)

Remytels to Bureau and New York 9/5,6/63.

Enclosed are 12 copies LHM dated and captioned as above, suitable for dissemination.

Info copies furnished New York and WFO. Copies disseminated locally to ONI, OSI, G-2, State Dept. Coordinator of Cuban Affairs, [REDACTED] Coast Guard, Customs (Miami Office), Customs (Region II), Border Patrol, INS.

Miami will complete investigation and furnish comprehensive report in instant case.

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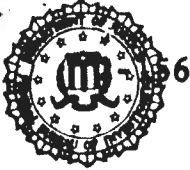
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Miami, Florida
September 6, 1963

Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTER

Previous investigation has reflected that Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, former Cuban Senator, who has been instructed to remain in the New York area by the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service, sent a group of Cuban exiles from the New York area to Miami in the early part of August, 1963, for the alleged purpose of staging an invasion of Haiti to overthrow the government of President Francois Duvalier, in order to secure a base of operations against the Castro regime in Cuba. Subsequently, a number of Cuban exiles registered at the Senate Hotel, Miami, and were interviewed on August 9, 1963, at which time they denied any contact with Masferrer, and also denied any intent to leave on an expedition.

Still later, investigation was conducted at No Name Key, south of Miami, where a group of twenty-five or thirty Cubans were located, and [REDACTED]

(b)(c) [REDACTED] denied they were affiliated with Masferrer. He claimed they were undergoing training at this location for the purpose of making a motion picture of training maneuvers for use in propaganda and fund-raising activities.

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September 11, 1963

Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General

Director, FBI

**BOLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI
NEUTRALITY MATTERS**

There is enclosed one copy each of two memoranda dated September 8, 1963, one at Miami, Florida, and the other at New York, New York.

You are requested to advise whether the information set forth in the enclosed memoranda indicates violation of the neutrality laws on the part of Masferrer and his associates. Since we are continuing our investigation, your early reply will be appreciated.

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1 - 105-95677 (Haitian Revolutionary Activities)

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See cover memorandum Wannall to Sullivan dated 9/10/63, same caption, prepared by [redacted] ACM:ams.

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An information copy of this report has been furnished to the WFO since this office has conducted previous investigation in this matter.

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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will complete investigation in this matter and submit report as requested by Bureau by 9/19/63.

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NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Will recontact ROLANDO MASFERRER for list of men who departed NY, N.J. areas and will interview representative number and results will be furnished interested offices.

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Report of: [REDACTED] (b)(7C)
Date: 9/13/63

Office: New York, New York

Field Office File #: NY 105-38120

Bureau File #: 2-1622

Title: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Synopsis: INS, NYC, advised that ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS appeared at the New York office of INS on 9/4/63. INS stated that they had no instructions to detain MASFERRER and he was released on same date. MASFERRER appeared at NYO of FBI on 9/5/63 and, during course of interview, declined to state whether or not he had departed the NY area and also declined to answer whether or not he had met with individuals in Miami, Fla., on the ground that his answers may tend to incriminate himself. MASFERRER voluntarily furnished details of his association with General LEON CANTAVE and also stated that he had about 120 men ready to leave the U.S. to join the forces of CANTAVE in seeking the overthrow of the present Haitian Government for the promise of a base on Haitian soil from which to carry out activity against the present Cuban Government. Details of interview with MASFERRER set forth.

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(bx) [REDACTED] advised that INS had instructions issued for their Miami office to arrest MASFERRER if he was located in the Miami area, for the charge of breaking his parole as he has been restricted by INS authorities to the New York area.

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(b7c) ReNYrep SA [REDACTED] dated 9-13-63.

Rerep contains information of intelligence interest which was secured during interview of subject 9-5-63. However, report of this interview does not reveal that Masferrer was questioned on matters relating to violations of neutrality statutes. He should, therefore, be promptly reinterviewed.

Masferrer should be asked whether other persons were present when he discussed with Cantave the assisting of the latter in his invasion of Haiti. Any such witnesses or co-conspirators should be interviewed. It is not sufficient to accept Masferrer's statement that his men traveled from New York-New Jersey area to Miami, Florida. As you are aware, some of these men have stated they were recruited by Masferrer who instructed them to go to Miami. Inquire of Masferrer in detail concerning his recruitment of these men, representation made by him at the time, instructions issued to them, arrangements made for them, and actions taken by them. Corroborate wherever possible by other investigation.

Secure all facts possible from Masferrer regarding overt acts by him and the others in furtherance of a conspiracy to invade Haiti. Back up data of this type supplied by him wherever possible through other investigation.

Expedite interview of Masferrer and other necessary investigation.

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 12 copies of a letterhead memorandum setting forth information concerning above-captioned subject matters.

The interview of MASFERRER was conducted in the NYO by
SAS [redacted] and [redacted]

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New York, New York

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 9/6/63

Subject is well known Cuban exile who has in past been engaged in anti-Castro activities. Just prior to 8/5/63 invasion of Haiti by Haitian exile Leon Cantave's group we received word Masferrer had agreed to assist Cantave by leading Masferrer's group of Cuban exiles against Haiti. Instructions were then issued for field to conduct neutrality investigation.

Department has been kept advised. New York Office is proceeding with interview of Masferrer. Miami being instructed to press this matter vigorously.

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TO DIRECTOR /2-1622/ AND SAC, NEW YORK /105-5503/
NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON

FROM SAC, MIAMI /2-156/

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, ~~IS DASH CUBA~~, NEUTRALITY ACT.
RE MMTEL TO BUREAU SEPTEMBER FOUR.

INTERNAL SECURITY-CUBA

Police Department
NY

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[REDACTED] GROUP OF
ABOUT FOURTEEN CUBAN EXILES STRANDED IN MIAMI BY
ROLANDO MASFERRER AND THAT THESE CUBANS DESIRED FURNISH
INFORMATION TO FBI [REDACTED]

FIVE KEY MEMBERS OF THIS GROUP WERE IMMEDIATELY
INTERVIEWED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED
BY THEM.

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APPROXIMATELY SIXTY CUBAN EXILES RESIDING NEW YORK ~~DASH~~
NEW JERSEY AREA WERE RECRUITED ABOUT ONE AND ONE HALF MONTHS
AGO BY ROLANDO MASFERRER FOR AN ARMED EXPEDITION AGAINST
CASTRO REGIME IN CUBA. THESE CUBANS GAVE UP THEIR JOBS,
CONTRIBUTED THEIR OWN MONEY ALONG WITH FUNDS OBTAINED FROM
SYMPATHISERS TO PURCHASE ARMS AND EQUIPMENT IN NEW YORK

AREA AND PROCEEDED IN SMALL GROUPS TO MIAMI BY VARIOUS MEANS

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OF TRANSPORTATION. MASFERRER, ACCOMPANIED BY JOSE ANTONIO MACEO, DROVE A STATION WAGON LOADED WITH WEAPONS, FROM NEW YORK TO MIAMI. UPON ARRIVAL MIAMI SOME OF EXILES STAYED AT SENATE HOTEL, AND OTHERS AT VARIOUS OTHER PLACES. THEIR WEAPONS WERE STORED AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN MIAMI AREA.

(b7c) ONE GROUP WERE SENT TO A FARM NEAR PERRINE FOR SEVERAL DAYS AFTER WHICH THREE OF THEM MET WITH MASFERRER AT HOME OF [REDACTED] IN MIAMI WHERE SOME OF THEIR ARMS WERE STORED.

MASFERRER TOLD THEM THAT THEY WERE BEING TRANSPORTED TO NO NAME KEY NEXT DAY WHERE THEY WOULD REMAIN FOR SEVENTY-TWO HOURS, AFTER WHICH THEY WOULD PROCEED TO THEIR DESTINATION IN HAITI TO OVERTHROW DUVALIER GOVERNMENT. THEREAFTER THEY WOULD ESTABLISH A TRAINING CAMP AND RECEIVE FUNDS AND EQUIPMENT TO ATTACK CUBA.

THEREAFTER ABOUT SIXTY MEN ASSEMBLED AT NO NAME KEY UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF JOSE ANTONIO MACEO. SEVERAL DAYS LATER THEY DEPARTED NO NAME KEY AFTER BEING TOLD THEY WOULD DEPART FOR HAITI WITHIN TWELVE HOURS. THEY RETURNED TO MIAMI WHERE THEY HAD TO FEND FOR THEMSELVES AND SOON REALIZED THEY

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~~THEY~~ HAD BEEN ABANDONED BY MASFERRER WHO HAD REPORTEDLY RETURNED TO NEW YORK IN THE STATION WAGON.

(b7c) TWO DAYS AGO MASFERRER TELEPHONED ONE OF THESE MEN, [REDACTED] FROM NEW YORK STATING THAT IF ANY MEMBERS OF THIS GROUP EXPOSED MASFERRER OR ANY OF HIS RELATIVES THAT HE WOULD PERSONALLY RETURN TO MIAMI AND DEAL WITH THEM.

THE ARMS AND EQUIPMENT POSSESSED BY THIS GROUP INCLUDED SMALL ARMS, INCLUDING AUTOMATIC WEAPONS, EXPLOSIVES OF SEVERAL TYPES, AND FIFTEEN FIVE-HUNDRED POUND BOMBS.

Immigration and Naturalization Service

~~INS~~ REPRESENTATIVES, MIAMI, ALSO INTERVIEWED THESE

CUEANS. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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(b7d) [REDACTED] SUBMIT COMMUNICATION SUITABLE FOR DISSEMINATION.

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CC: MR SULLIVAN

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-95677)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (105-1597) (P)

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
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ReBureau airtel to Miami 8/30/63; myairtels to Bureau
8/15, 16, 19/26/63, enclosing LHM; myairtel to Bureau 8/28/63
with LHM and NY tel to Bureau 9/3/63, both captioned ROLANDO
ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, IS - CUBA.

Referenced airtels set out complete details of in-
vestigation conducted to date re alleged activity of MASFERRER
and his group in the Miami area.

New York should thoroughly interview MASFERRER for
full details of alleged activity of him and his group in the
Miami area.

Miami will surp on this matter by 8/13/63 under
caption ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, IS - CUBA (Bufile
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Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of a LHM dated and captioned as above. Two copies of the LHM are designated for Miami and one info copy each designated for the New York and San Juan Offices.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

ReButel 9/10/63.

The NYO has encountered difficulties in attempting to locate and interview individuals who had proceeded to Miami to accompany ROLANDO MASFERRER on the proposed invasion of Haiti. The NYO is currently attempting to locate some of these individuals, and a report in this matter will be submitted on 9/24/63.

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TITLE OF CASE ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] (b7c)	TYPED rac
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REFERENCE

Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 7/16/63 at New York.
New York airtel to Bureau 9/6/63.
Miami teletype 9/9/63.
Bureau radiogram 9/10/63.

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It is to be noted that the address for [REDACTED] as furnished by referenced Miami teletype, was incorrect. [REDACTED] was located as a result of information furnished by [REDACTED] interviewed and furnished [REDACTED] was located and interviewed and furnished [REDACTED] was interviewed and furnished [REDACTED] None of the above men interviewed were able to furnish [REDACTED]

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MIAMI AND NEW ORLEANS (INFORMATION)

Information copies of this report are designated for Miami and New Orleans since they have an investigative interest in the activities of ROLANDO MASFERRER.

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Report of:

Date:

September 18, 1963

Office: Newark, New Jersey

Field Office File #: 97-315

Bureau File #: 2-1622

Title:

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI-CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Synopsis:

(b7c) furnished signed statements indicating that they learned ROLANDO MASFERRER was preparing an attack against Cuba and they went to New York and joined his forces. They purchased equipment at their own expense and furnished it to MASFERRER to be shipped to the point of embarkation. They then traveled to Miami where they waited to depart for Cuba, first at the Senate Hotel, then on a farm outside Miami, and finally at No Name Key. At No Name Key, they learned that the operation was to be against Haiti and not Cuba. Finally, the members of this force dispersed and they received passage back to Newark from the Cuban Refugee Center in Miami. MASFERRER and (b7c) threatened them should they do anything to cause trouble.

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September 30, 1963

Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General
Director, FBI

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
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ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP (S) OF CLASS/EXT
DATE 9/30/63

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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DATE OF REVIEW 9/30/93

Reference is made to our letter dated September 11, 1963, and to your letter dated September 25, 1963. You advised that the preliminary facts in this case indicated possible violations of the neutrality statutes and requested that additional investigation be conducted.

(b)(c) There is enclosed one copy each of the reports of Special Agents [redacted] dated September 13, 1963, at New York, New York, and [redacted] dated September 19, 1963, at Miami, Florida, with an informant evaluation memorandum. Our investigation is continuing and all additional pertinent data developed will be furnished to you.

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General

NOTE CONTINUED:

Our investigation is based on allegations that Masferrer, Cuban exile, agreed to assist Cantave's invasion of Haiti in return for privilege to use Haiti later as base from which to operate against Castro. Investigation thus far indicates he recruited men in New York City who thereafter proceeded to Miami, Florida, where they were to be dispatched to Haiti to assist Cantave. Masferrer abandoned the men in Miami and plan fell through.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE NEW YORK	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE 9/24/63	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 9/11 - 24 /63
TITLE OF CASE <u>ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS</u>		REASON FOR REFERENCE [REDACTED] (b7c)	TYPED bca
		CHARACTER OF CASE IS - CUBA NEUTRALITY MATTERS	

REFERENCES

Bureau teletype dated 9/10/63.

NY report of SA [REDACTED] 9/13/63 (b7c)

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WASHINGTON FIELD, MIAMI, NEWARK (INFORMATION)

An information copy of this report has been furnished to WFO, Miami and Newark since these offices have conducted previous investigation in this matter.

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NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will submit, under separate cover, a request of the Bureau to consult with the Department of Justice, for possible violation of Neutrality Act.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
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Synopsis:

ROLANDO MASFERRER, on 9/11/63, furnished a list of 40 individuals who traveled from the New York-New Jersey areas to Miami, Florida, to participate in the planned invasion by MASFERRER of Haiti. MASFERRER stated that the men recruited for this invasion were not told that they were first going to Haiti until after they had arrived in Miami, Florida.

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SYNOPSIS (CONT'D)

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Details of interview set forth.

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Date 9/17/63

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ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, former Cuban Senator and leader of an anti-CASTRO organization, was interviewed on September 11, 1963, at his office which is located at 346 West 45th Street, New York City. At the time of interview, MASFERRER was advised that he did not have to make any statement, that any statement which he made could be used against him in a court of law, and that he had the right to consult an attorney. MASFERRER stated that he was willing to voluntarily furnish the following information:

MASFERRER advised that he had about 120 men in Florida who were to accompany him to Haiti to assist General LEON CANTAVE, former member of the General Staff of the Haitian Armed Forces who is now in exile and who is seeking the overthrow of Haitian President FRANCOIS DUVALIER. MASFERRER stated that of the 120 men who were going to accompany him, about 80 were from the Miami area and 40 were from the New York-New Jersey areas. MASFERRER advised that he was not personally acquainted with all the individuals from the Miami area, the New York-New Jersey areas, and only had a list of the men. MASFERRER stated that these men were not all followers of his but were members of various anti-CASTRO organizations in exile who are willing and able and desirous of fighting to overthrow the Cuban regime of FIDEL CASTRO.

MASFERRER furnished the following list of individuals who traveled from New York to Miami to participate in the invasion of Haiti with the promise of obtaining a base in Haiti from where they could operate against the Cuban Government:

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On 9/11/63 at 346 West 45th Street
New York City File # 105-38120
by SA [REDACTED] mfw (b7c) Date dictated 9/16/63

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Rolando Masferrer.

MASFERRER advised that the letters after some of the individuals listed above signify the following:

NA signifies a member of the former Cuban Army.

USA signifies those individuals who had special training in the United States Army at Fort Jackson, South Carolina.

MAOC signifies individuals who were associated with MASFERRER during the Cuban revolution of FIDEL CASTRO and fought CASTRO in Oriente Province. These individuals were members of

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MASFERRER's organization known as Militia Anticomunista Obreros y Campesinos.

RA signifies individuals who previously fought in the Rebel Army of Prime Minister FIDEL CASTRO.

CNP signifies a former member of the Cuban National Police.

2506 signifies former members of Brigade 2506 which invaded Cuba in April, 1961.

MASFERRER stated that two of the individuals who traveled from New York to Miami were [REDACTED]

(b7c) MASFERRER stated that when the men were recruited they were not told that they were first going to Haiti to assist General CANTAVE. MASFERRER stated that they were all told that they were being recruited for the purpose of fighting FIDEL CASTRO in Cuba. MASFERRER stated that the group was told that they were first going to go to Haiti to assist General CANTAVE and then operate from a base in Haiti against CASTRO after they had arrived in the Miami, Florida, area.

MASFERRER further advised on September 11, 1963, that when he arrived in the Miami area, there were certain individuals who tried to dissuade him from going to Haiti, and one of these individuals was "CUCO" LEON, whom he described as a Cuban who formerly was a member of the House of Representatives in Cuba and a member of the political party known as Partido Democratico. MASFERRER stated that LEON said that there was a secret agreement between LUIS SOMOZA and FRANCOIS DUVALIER, but MASFERRER stated that he did not believe that such an agreement existed. LEON told MASFERRER that it would be better for him and his men to go to Nicaragua, as there were bases there and to see the setup in Nicaragua and to fight CASTRO from a base there. MASFERRER stated that he refused this offer made to him by "CUCO" LEON. MASFERRER further advised that "CUCO" LEON is well known in the Miami area and is recognized as the liaison man between LUIS SOMOZA and the Cuban exiles.

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MASFERRER also stated that another individual who tried to dissuade him from going to Haiti was TEOFILO "TOFI" BABOUN, who is a cousin of the Haitian Consul General in Miami, Florida. MASFERRER stated that TEOFILO BABOUN wanted to dissuade him because of economic reasons, as BABOUN has several cement plants in Haiti and operates boats between Haiti and San Juan, Puerto Rico.

MASFERRER also advised that while he was in the Miami area, he did not see Lieutenant JOSE IVAN ALEGRETT, Nicaraguan Vice Consul in Miami. MASFERRER did state that he had seen SANTIAGO ALVAREZ, who is one of the leaders of the anti-Communist organization known as Comandos L. MASFERRER stated that the purpose of contacting SANTIAGO ALVAREZ was to see if some arrangements could be made for boats to take his men from Florida to Haiti.

MASFERRER advised that while some of his men were at No Name Key and the others were at a small farm between Homestead, Florida, and Perrine, Florida, he notified the individuals in charge at No Name Key that they should be brought back to Miami. MASFERRER stated that he did this about 12 hours before they were going to leave Florida for Haiti, but between the time the men left No Name Key and Homestead word had been delivered to him indirectly from General CANTAVE who informed him, MASFERRER, not to join in the invasion of Haiti. MASFERRER stated that after all the men had gotten to the Miami area, they were told that they were not going to go on the expedition.

MASFERRER stated that all the individuals had returned to Miami, and indicated that there was a small group that remained in Miami who claimed that they had been abandoned by MASFERRER and his people. MASFERRER stated that these were disgruntled individuals and totaled about five or six. MASFERRER stated that these individuals were ones who did not contribute arms or equipment to the expedition, and when they returned to Miami, they contacted MASFERRER's people asking for their arms, as they desired to sell them in the Miami area in order to obtain funds to pay for their transportation back to the New York area. MASFERRER stated that he had been called from Miami relative to this incident, and he informed his representatives in Miami that they should not give them any guns.

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MASFERRER stated that in regard to the point of embarkation from the United States, he was not going to leave the United States from the Miami area nor from the Florida Keys because this area is too heavily patrolled. MASFERRER stated that it would be very easy to depart Florida either from Fort Lauderdale or Tampa, but did not indicate from which point he intended to leave.

MASFERRER further advised that while in the Miami area, they had received assistance from many of the Cuban exiles living there. MASFERRER stated that while in the Miami area, there was need for lodging for his men and also when the men were transported to the farm or to No Name Key, they needed automobiles to transport them. MASFERRER advised that they had no difficulty whatsoever in securing both lodging and transportation for his men. MASFERRER advised they received full cooperation from Cuban exiles in the Miami area because most of them want to have someone start the fight against CASTRO, and for this reason they were very generous in giving all needed assistance.

MASFERRER declined to give a signed statement.

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conducted in the Miami area to enable the U.S. Department of Justice to render a prosecutive opinion. In the event prosecution is desired, Miami can obtain, if necessary, additional evidence through interrogation of potential witnesses who were among those recruited.

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Synopsis: Investigation reflects that a group of Cuban exiles from the New York City - New Jersey area, came to Miami in the early part of 8/63 after reportedly having been recruited by ROLANDO MASFERRER in NYC to participate in an invasion of Cuba. After arriving in Miami, some were sent to a farm near Perrine, Florida and then to a camp on No Name Key. On 9/5/63 a small group of these Cuban recruits went to the Miami Police Department, stating they had been abandoned by MASFERRER and desired to cooperate with the police and the FBI. When interviewed these men advised they had been recruited in the NY-NJ area by MASFERRER, who maintained an office at 346 W. 45th Street, NYC, for an expedition against FIDEL CASTRO in Cuba. They were instructed to purchase their own arms, uniforms and equipment, and to provide their own transportation to Miami. Some turned over their weapons to MASFERRER or organization in NY, while others, after arriving in Miami, turned over their weapons to MASFERRER's cousin, ANTONIO ROJAS, for safe keeping and concealment. After being several days in the Miami area, some were instructed to proceed to a farm near Perrine. 3 representatives of this group met with MASFERRER in Miami and were advised that on the following day they would proceed to No Name Key and within 72 hours would leave for Haiti to overthrow the DUVALIER government, after which they would be given a base of operations in Haiti to prepare for an invasion of Cuba. The recruits proceeded to No Name Key, according

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to instructions, but became disillusioned about MASFERRER's switch in plan to first invade Haiti, and returned to Miami, where they learned they had been abandoned by MASFERRER, who had returned to New York City.

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[redacted] stated that ROLANDO MASFERRER had shown great interest in the invasion of Haiti and had indicated he planned to participate in such invasion. MASFERRER stated all of his men who had been in New York City have left that area, and were now in Miami getting ready to leave to participate in the Haitian invasion. MASFERRER, himself, was preparing to leave New York City for Miami to join his men and board an unidentified boat somewhere in Florida or the Miami area, possibly for the Dominican Republic (DR).

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[REDACTED] advised several young men had [REDACTED] and all of them were from the New York City or New Jersey area. The group indicated [REDACTED] they were interested in fighting FIDEL CASTRO, and were en route to a training camp in the Florida Keys, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised the group of young men from the New York and New Jersey area [REDACTED] were mostly young Cubans recently discharged from the United States Army. Most of them had served six months at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. [REDACTED] did not know the plans of this group, but said they had very little money [REDACTED]

The following individuals were interviewed at the hotel, and denied any connection on their part with MASFERRER's attempted invasion of Haiti or Cuba, or any plans for training in Florida;

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On August 10, 1963, [REDACTED] Immigration and Naturalization Service, Miami, stated that INS was very much interested in the activities of ROLANDO MASFERRER and requested that, if he appears in the Miami area, they be immediately advised, inasmuch as their present plans are to arrest and detain him for violation of his parole status. At the present time, according to [REDACTED] MASFERRER is restricted to the New York area.

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and have not since been heard from nor seen [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] stated none of these Cubans made any
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All three readily admitted having arrived in Miami on [REDACTED] after hearing reports and rumors in New York City that Cuban exiles were being recruited in Miami for a camp to be set up in Nicaragua preparatory to an armed operation against the regime of FIDEL CASTRO in Cuba. Upon arrival in Miami, they made various inquiries and went to a recruiting station, located on West Flagler Street and 17th Avenue, of the Brigade 2506, which participated in the April, 1961 invasion of Cuba attempt. They enlisted their services with the Brigade, but were instructed to return to their homes in New York City, as no camp had yet been set up in Nicaragua. They were told they would be immediately

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notified to return to Miami when their services were needed, contingent upon the establishment of a base of operations in Nicaragua. They were led to believe that some negotiations are underway for the establishment of such a camp, but no date was set. They were led to believe this camp was being set up by former Cuban President CARLOS PRIO SOCARRAS, presently exiled in Miami, acting in cooperation with MANUEL ARTIME, who would serve as the military leader at the camp. ARTIME was one of the principal leaders of the April, 1961 invasion attempt, and is a member of Brigade 2506. All three of these Cubans stated they planned to leave Miami on August 14, 1963, and drive back to New York City. They claimed they were about to run out of money and had no means of receiving additional funds, except by returning to their former places of employment in New York.

All three stated that while at the Senate Hotel, they had talked to other Cubans registered there from the New York area, but heard no mention made by any of these men of any plan to invade Haiti, or of their having any connection with ROLANDO MASFERRER.

All three denied any connection with MASFERRER, and claimed to have no interest in the Haitian situation. All three claimed they are intensely interested in fighting against communism, especially in Cuba, but would volunteer their services to fight against communism anywhere in Latin America.

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[REDACTED] was among the group which received military training at Fort Jackson.

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On August 13, 1963, LOUIS GIDEL, Assistant Director of Immigration and Naturalization in Charge of Travel Control, Miami, Florida, advised an examination of airplane manifests of outgoing travel from Miami to Nicaragua and the DR has reflected no noticeable increase in travel to either of those countries by Cuban exiles.

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He said he had heard that a group of Cubans from New York City had come to Miami to enlist for training at a camp to be set up in Nicaragua. However, he claimed to have no knowledge that this camp or any other camp was being set up under the direction of MASFERRER, and claimed to have no knowledge that MASFERRER had come to Miami during the recent past.

MIAMI, FLORIDA

On August 16, 1963, RODOLFO MASFERRER ROJAS was interviewed at his residence, 3500 Southwest Tenth Street, Apartment #1, where he is residing under the name of ALFREDO ROJAS to avoid notoriety, inasmuch as he is the brother of ROLANDO MASFERRER.

He stated he had last talked to his brother, ROLANDO, in New York City by long distance telephone on August 11, 1963, but has no knowledge that ROLANDO has come to Miami. He claimed to have no knowledge concerning a group of Cuban exiles making preparations to attack Haiti or any other country under the direction of his brother.

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He recalled that on the previous Monday or Tuesday, [REDACTED] telephoned him, stating he was in Miami and desired to leave the United States on

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(b7c) [REDACTED] some mission to Nicaragua or Guatemala, because he had marital difficulties and wanted to get away from his wife. [REDACTED] told RODOLFO MASFERRER that he had enlisted with ARTIME's group to go to a camp in Nicaragua, but had no immediate plans for departure.

RODOLFO MASFERRER denied any knowledge of plans by his brother, ROIANDO, to attack Haiti, and knew of no armed forces being assembled under ROIANDO's direction.

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(b7d) [REDACTED] has no knowledge of his being in Miami. He said he heard that a group of Cubans, recently at the Senate Hotel in Miami, planned to go to Nicaragua for training, but claimed to possess no knowledge of their being here under the direction of MASFERRER.

[REDACTED] advised he had received information from [REDACTED] whom he declined to identify, that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] had driven ROIANDO MASFERRER from a farm near Miami to an unknown location in or near Key West, Florida, during the past week. He described [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] He possessed no further details.

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[REDACTED] stated he is a personal friend of ROLANDO MASFERRER. He last saw MASFERRER [REDACTED]

He said MASFERRER did not mention planning any kind of expedition to Haiti, the DR or Nicaragua. He denied having seen MASFERRER since [REDACTED]

NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK

On August 18, 1963, ELMO RAINBOLT, Chief of United States Border Patrol, Miami, advised his service had ascertained through aerial reconnaissance that a group of men, believed to be Cubans, at No Name Key, located near Key West, has been built up during the past few days from five to approximately twenty or thirty. Some of these men are dressed in uniforms, and some possess what appear to be submachine guns and rifles. No boats had been observed at No Name Key. Mr. RAINBOLT did not know to what group, if any, these Cubans belong.

It is to be noted No Name Key, which cannot be reached by land, has been almost continually used by small groups of Cubans for training purposes.

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[REDACTED] advised on August 19, 1963, that he had observed five carloads of Cubans arrive on Big Pine Key on August 16, 1963, where they purchased miscellaneous foodstuffs and then drove to the Old Wooden Bridge Fishing Camp. The group, numbering approximately twenty-five, had a U-Haul trailer behind one of the vehicles. He was able to furnish the license numbers of two of the vehicles,

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[REDACTED] stated that when the group arrived at the fishing camp, they rented a boat and went directly to No Name Key. He stated the trailer was unloaded and appeared to contain luggage. He stated he did not see any guns or ammunition.

[REDACTED] further advised that on the morning of August 19, 1963, he had observed another vehicle with three Cubans departing the vicinity of Big Pine Key. He described the vehicle as a 1957 Chevrolet, bearing 1963 Florida license 1-33002.

[REDACTED] The car appeared to be driven by a medium-sized Cuban with a prominent black mustache.

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On August 19, 1963 [REDACTED] United States Coast Guard, Marathon, Florida, advised the Coast Guard had assisted in landing four Customs agents on No Name Key on the night of August 16, 1963. They located approximately sixteen Cubans dressed in Army fatigues, who claimed to be members of the 2506 Brigade, recently discharged from the United States Army. The group claimed they were on No Name Key to take photographs of Army maneuvers for propaganda purposes, and to raise funds. They claimed to have the permission of the owner to occupy the premises, and would remain on the key for two or three days. A search by the Customs agents did not reflect any concealed weapons.

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(b)(c) [redacted] advised the Coast Guard was maintaining routine patrols in the area, and would advise of any untoward activity. He added that the United States Coast Guard patrol planes pass in the vicinity of No Name Key about twice a day.

[redacted] was interviewed at No Name Key by Special Agent [redacted] He advised he [redacted]

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(b)(d) [redacted] stated most of the group had arrived at No Name Key on Friday, August 16, 1963, for the purpose of making a motion picture of training maneuvers for propaganda, publicity and fund-raising purposes. He estimated the group would remain on No Name Key for about one week. He was unable to furnish the name of the individual, group or organization who was going to film the picture.

[redacted] denied that the 27 Cubans represented any particular anti-CASTRO group, stating it was composed of many individuals who had received training in the United States Army at Fort Jackson, others who desired to receive some training and volunteered to appear in the film. He stated the majority of the group were followers of MANUEL ARTIME, but that he had not sponsored the idea or financed it in any manner. [redacted]

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It is to be noted that of the afore-mentioned group, the following thirteen appeared to be identical to persons of the same name who were among the eighteen registered at the Senate Hotel, from the New York area, shortly prior to and after August 9, 1963:

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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It is to be recalled that when five of the men at the Senate Hotel were interviewed on August 9, 1963, they denied any connection with MASFERRER's alleged plan to invade Haiti or Cuba, or any plans for training in Florida.

FLORIDA

On August 21, 1963, SANTIAGO ALVAREZ RODRIGUEZ, 541 Northwest 45th Avenue, Miami, former Cuban Senator exiled in Miami and now one of the leaders of an anti-CASTRO action group known as Comandos L, advised he possessed no information concerning any plan of ROLANDO MASFERRER to invade Haiti or any other country. ALVAREZ claimed he had not seen ROLANDO during the recent past, and had no knowledge

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of his having been in the Miami area. He stated, however, that RODOLFO MASFERRER, a brother of ROLANDO, was at the home of ALVAREZ several days previously to treat ALVAREZ' teeth, as RODOLFO is a dentist by profession.

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disclaimed
any knowledge of any plan involving WASFERRER to
overthrow the present Haitian Government,

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] possessed no information concerning
the presence of WASFERRER in the Miami area.

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He said he is not of the same political mind as ROLANDO MASFERRER. [REDACTED]

He said MASFERRER asked him if he would be interested in a plan to secure a base in Haiti and then attack Cuba from this base after the current Haitian Government was overthrown. He said he told MASFERRER he was not interested in this plan to aid the overthrow of the DUVALIER Government in Haiti.

[REDACTED] advised he would answer any questions that he felt did not interfere with the overthrow of the CASTRO Government. He said he would cooperate fully with the FBI in any plan which would aid in overthrowing CASTRO and communism, but he would decline to answer any question he felt would interfere with getting rid of CASTRO and his government.

He said he did not know the whereabouts of MASFERRER, and did not know that MASFERRER was not permitted to be in the Miami, Florida area by the United States Government.

He said he did not have a very long conversation with MASFERRER, and did not discuss any of the following subjects with him:

- 1.) No mention was made of overthrowing President BOSCH in the Dominican Republic.

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- 2.) MASFERRER made no mention of Brigade 2506.
- 3.) MASFERRER made no mention of assistance to obtain men, guns, airplanes or money to be sent to Haiti or any other place.
- 4.) No mention was made of the Isle of Pines or the invasion of this island.
- 5.) MASFERRER made no mention of staying on a small farm on the outskirts of Miami.

[REDACTED] had not seen any of MASFERRER's men in Miami, but the Cuban colony in Miami was talking about the rumored build-up of MASFERRER's men in the Miami area.

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II. INTERVIEWS OF CUBAN EXILES RECRUITED BY MASFERRER

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] a small group of Cuban exiles, who claimed they had been left stranded in Miami by ROLANDO MASFERRER, after having been recruited for an armed expedition against the

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CASTRO regime in Cuba, and that they now desired to furnish true information to the FBI [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Five representative members of this group were immediately interviewed [REDACTED]

Of these five, four subsequently furnished signed statements, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] At the same time, it was learned that among this group one, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The other members of the group indicated they also planned to return to their homes in the New York-New Jersey areas, but that no definite decision had been made in some instances, and they might remain in Miami for a while longer.

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III. CONCERNING MILITARY EQUIPMENT

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On the afternoon of September 6, 1963, Mr. WALLACE SHANLEY, Assistant Customs Agent in Charge, Enforcement, Customs Agency Service, Miami, advised that his service was at that moment in the process of making a search and seizure of military equipment at a garage in the rear of 1716 S. W. 11th Street, which is a four-unit apartment building in which ANTONIO ROJAS is the occupant of Apartment #2. Mr. SHANLEY said that the son of ANTONIO ROJAS was in the garage when the search was begun.

On September 12, 1963, Mr. SHANLEY furnished the following additional details;

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beginning at 1:15 P.M. on September 6,

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began a search, acting on information supplied by a confidential informant of U. S. Customs, at 1716 S. W. 11th Street, and specifically in the garage area, in the rear of the apartment building. The garage area is divided into compartments assigned to the apartment renters. One of these compartments was assigned to ANTONIO ROJAS, whose wife and son consented to the search by U. S. Customs Port Investigators.

Seized in this garage compartment were:

One bazooka;

Three empty bomb casings;

512 rounds of 30.6 ammunition;

49 rounds of .38 caliber ammunition;

36 rounds of 9 mm. ammunition; and,

120 rounds of 30 caliber carbine ammunition.

In Apartment #2 of ROJAS there was found, concealed inside a folding couch in the living room:

One bazooka;

160 rounds of 30.6 ammunition;

99 rounds of carbine ammunition; and,

A quantity of charts and miscellaneous equipment.

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Also, a number of army cots, medicines, blankets, bayonettes, and hypodermic syringes were found.

(b7c) | On the same date, U. S. Customs made a search at the residence of [REDACTED] with negative results.

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IV. NEWSPAPER REACTION

The September 6, 1963 issue of the MIAMI NEWS carried an article entitled "Leader Stranded Them, Exile Raid Recruits Say - MASFERRER Switches Raids." This article reflects that a dozen Cuban exiles complained to the Miami police on September 6, 1963, that ROLANDO MASFERRER, described as a one time BATISTA terrorist, recruited them for a raid on Cuba, but instead left them stranded in Miami. They said they were part of a contingent of between 50 and 60 men signed up by MASFERRER "who has been rejected by most exile groups, and has been ordered out of Florida by the U.S."

According to the article, these exiles said they had contributed their savings to MASFERRER's "invasion" fund, and all complained they were broke and hungry.

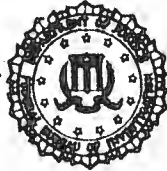
The article disclosed MASFERRER told these exiles he was financing a commando type raid on the Cuban coast, after which he would take them to a base in Nicaragua, where they would join other anti-CASTRO forces. However, when they arrived in Miami, MASFERRER announced that instead of raiding Cuba, the group would join in an invasion of Haiti, so that they could use Haiti as a base of operations and stage attacks on Cuba.

The men, feeling they had been misled, told MASFERRER they wanted no part of such a deal, and MASFERRER went back to New York, leaving them stranded in Miami.

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Miami, Florida

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
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[REDACTED], dated and captioned as above.

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DATE: OCT 10 1963

FROM : SAC, Miami (2-156) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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Reference report of Special Agent [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], 9/19/63, at Miami.

Enclosed are 12 copies of LHM dated and
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[REDACTED] ONI, G-2, INS, OSI, Border Patrol, Customs, Coast
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Miami, Florida

OCT 10 1963

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
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Previous investigation has reflected that in August, 1963, former Cuban Senator ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, who resides in the New York area, recruited and sent a group of young Cuban exiles to Miami, for the ostensible purpose of participating in an invasion of Cuba. These plans collapsed after MASFERRER abandoned his men and returned to New York City.

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TITLE OF CASE ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS		[REDACTED] (b)(c) cbp TYPED BY CHARACTER OF CASE IS-CUBA-HAITI; RA-HAITI; NEUTRALITY MATTERS	

REFERENCES:

NY report of SA [REDACTED] dated 11/1/63.
 Miami report of SA [REDACTED] dated 11/2/63.
 NY letter dated 11/14/63.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Reference is made to NY letter dated 11/14/63, captioned as above, wherein it was noted that the headquarters of ROLANDO MASFERRER were now located at 358 West 47th Street, NYC. Referenced NY letter stated that [REDACTED] (b)(d)

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Information copies of this report are being furnished to Miami, Newark, and Washington Field since Miami and Newark have outstanding investigation in this matter and because Washington Field has conducted previous investigation.

NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. Will, upon completion of outstanding investigation in the Miami and Newark Divisions, submit a recommendation to the Bureau for presentation of this matter to the Department of Justice for a prosecutive opinion.

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Title:

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY-CUBA-HAITI;
REGISTRATION ACT-HAITI;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Synopsis:

(b)(7)(C) stated that he had no previous knowledge of ROLANDO MASFERRER's plan to overthrow the Haitian Government, that he contributed no money, arms, or ammunition, and was not with MASFERRER's invasion force.

(b)(7)(C) advised that he did not sell any machine gun to MASFERRER.

(b)(7)(C) stated that ROLANDO MASFERRER cannot be trusted and MASFERRER's failure to assist General LEON CANTAVE in Haiti, is another example of how MASFERRER has deceived people, even his own friends.

(b)(7)(C) advised that he never sold any weapons to ROLANDO MASFERRER.

(b)(7)(C) advised that he is a member of MASFERRER's organization, that he joined the invasion force and had been instructed by MASFERRER to purchase a gun, uniform, and equipment and was instructed to proceed to Miami, Florida. (b)(7)(C) stated that he wants to return to Cuba some day and had been willing to do anything to see the present Cuban Government overthrown. A signed statement was received from (b)(7)(C)

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- Mr. Meier

SAC, New York (105-54818)

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Director, FBI (2-1748)

ROGER RIGAUD
RA - HAITI

Reurlet 11-29-63.

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You are authorized to interview subject in accordance with your request and existing regulations pertaining to the interviews of security subjects. No information has been located in Bufiles which would preclude this interview or which is not in the possession of your office.

You should make every effort to ascertain from Rigaud the nature and extent of his participation in and assistance given to the August, 1963, invasion of Haiti by Leon Cantave.

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(b)(7)(D) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] you should endeavor to determine from him whether he was successful in this regard and details of his efforts. Without disclosing your source you should attempt to determine the [REDACTED]
(b)(7)(D) [REDACTED]

In spite of denials by Paul Magloire, numerous allegations have been made that Magloire has financially assisted Rigaud in Rigaud's revolutionary activities. You should question Rigaud concerning this matter. Rigaud should, of course, be questioned concerning the National Democratic Union and it should be determined whether this organization has been active in the U. S. and, if so, whether it or Rigaud has been engaged in activities constituting violations of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended.

Rigaud should, of course, be asked for any information he possesses concerning the unsuccessful plan of Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas to aid Cantave's invasion. All information in his possession concerning activities of Masferrer in furtherance of the plan and any conspiracy to violate the Neutrality Statutes should be secured from Rigaud.

Results of this interview should be furnished Bureau in report form suitable for dissemination.

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Letter to SAC, New York
Re: ROGER RIGAUD
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NOTE:

Roger Rigaud, former Haitian official, has been residing in U. S. since 1958 and since that time has been involved in numerous plans, most of which have never materialized, to invade Haiti. Because of his almost constant involvement he has been under investigation by this Bureau for considerable length of time. He is registered with the Department as an agent of a Dominican exile organization, Parti Nationale. Most recent investigation stems from his participation in Cantave's invasion of Haiti from the Dominican Republic. While this invasion was going on Rigaud spent most of his time in the Dominican Republic.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 12/26/63

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (97-315) (P)

SUBJECT: **ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS**
IS - CUBA - HAITI
RA - HAITI
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(OO: NEW YORK)

Rerep of SA [REDACTED] dated 11/1/63 at
New York. (b7c)

Report follows.

New York locate and interview [REDACTED] (b7c)

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REFERENCES

Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 11/1/63 at New York.
Newark letter to Bureau dated 12/26/63.

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Numerous efforts were made to locate [REDACTED] for interview.

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Title: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA - HAITI;
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI;
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(b)(7c) There is enclosed a copy of the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated January 15, 1964, at Newark, New Jersey. Other reports of investigation conducted in the captioned matter have been previously forwarded to you and the Records Administration Office.

You are requested to advise at this time whether prosecutive action will be initiated against Masferrer and/or his associates under the provisions of the above Sections or any other applicable statutes.

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NOTE:

Investigation has revealed that Masferrer, anti-Castro Cuban exile, recruited other Cuban exiles in New York-Newark area for what they thought, initially, was to be an operation against Cuba. At Masferrer's directions they purchased rifles, ammunition and then proceeded to Miami, Florida. There they turned their arms over to one of Masferrer's associates and some of them received military training on No Name Key. It was

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Letter to Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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not until they were in Florida that they learned Masferrer intended to use them to assist in Cantave's invasion of Haiti. Allegedly, Masferrer was to be given Haitian base for operations against Cuba following take-over of Haiti. Masferrer abandoned his plans and left his men in Miami to shift for themselves.

Our investigation has been extensive and substantiates original information upon which Department decided investigation should be conducted as violations of the neutrality laws were indicated.

(b7d) [REDACTED]

We had nothing to do with this matter and received no information as a result [REDACTED] In the event Department contemplates prosecution we will advise Department.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: January 20, 1964

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA - HAITI;
RA - HAITI;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS
(OO: New York)

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TITLE OF CASE ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY mcm
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REFERENCES:

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 NKlet dated 12/26/63, captioned as above.
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Information copies of this report are being furnished to the aforementioned offices since they have conducted previous investigation in this matter.

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AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Will await the decision of the Department, as requested in Bureau letter to J. WALTER YEAGLEY, Assistant Attorney General, dated 1/28/64.

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Report of:

Date:

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(b7c) Office: New York, New York

Field Office File #:

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Bureau File #:

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Title:

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA - HAITI
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Summary:

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MASFERRER, on 1/14/64, advised that he currently was residing at 42-26 81st St., Elmhurst, Queens, [REDACTED] advised that he voluntarily enlisted to go on the invasion with MASFERRER. [REDACTED] stated that he purchased an M-1 Garand and other equipment as instructed by MASFERRER, and proceeded to Miami, Florida, at his own expense. Details of interview with [REDACTED] set forth.

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ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS was in telephonic contact with the New York Office on January 14, 1964, at which time he advised that he had changed his residence and was now residing at 42-26 81st Street, apartment 6E, Elmhurst, Queens. MASFERRER advised his new home telephone was GR 8-3017.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 2/19/64

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (P*)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, 358 West 47th St, NYC, on 2/10/63, advised that he has not spoken with nor has he seen General LEON CANTAVE since General CANTAVE returned to NY in late September, 1963. MASFERRER advised that he has no plans for any invasion of Haiti in connection with General CANTAVE and has not even discussed such plans with any representative of General CANTAVE.

MASFERRER stated that he has seen Dr. CARLOS MARQUEZ STERLING on several occasions but knows of no meetings between General CANTAVE and MARQUEZ STERLING.

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The above information is being furnished for the Bureau and Miami in view of the information given by

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It is highly improbable that MASFERRER and General CANTAVE would now be discussing plans for any invasion in light of what took place in August, 1963.

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3/14/64

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-0)

SUBJECT: ~~SHIPMENT OF 984 CASES OF~~
RIFLES ABOARD THE "SS ~~GENRIS~~"
IS-CUBA

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 9 copies of a letterhead memorandum containing information received from ROLANDO MASFERRER, Cuban exile in NYC. He furnished the original information, telephonically, on 3/4/64 to SA [REDACTED] U.S. Customs, NYC, was immediately advised by telephone, and this was followed up by a letter to [REDACTED] on the same date.

Since there is no indication of pro-CASTRO activity or involvement, no additional investigation is warranted along these lines. Since there is no indication of any irregularities or crimes within the jurisdiction of the FBI, no additional investigation is being conducted at New York.

A copy of the attached letterhead memorandum is being sent to [REDACTED] U.S. Customs, locally.

Information copies are designated for the Baltimore and Richmond Divisions in the event any future investigation is required.

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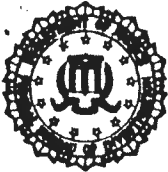
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New York, New York
March 14, 1964

Re: Shipment of 984 Cases of Rifles
Aboard the "SS Fenris"
Internal Security-Cuba

On March 4, 1964, Rolando Masferrer, former Cuban Senator presently in exile in New York City, advised a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) that he had received information from a source, whom he declined to identify, that a shipment of 1,000 cases of French rifles, loaded in Marseilles, France, is being carried aboard the "Fenris" located at Pier 6, Brooklyn, New York. He stated that the ship is bound for Baltimore, Maryland. He was of the opinion that the guns were not listed on any cargo manifest. He had no additional information to offer in this regard.

On the same date, [REDACTED] United States Customs, New York City, was telephonically contacted regarding the shipment. At the time, [REDACTED] could only verify that the "Fenris" was actually tied up at Pier 6, Brooklyn, New York.

(b)(2) [REDACTED] stated on March 5, 1964, that at Pier 6, Brooklyn, the Swedish ship, "Fenris", has 984 cases of American rifles aboard in hatch #4 being returned from Marseilles, France, going to an armament company in Baltimore, Maryland. He added that the unloading will be observed by United States Customs, Baltimore, Maryland. He advised that [REDACTED] at United States Customs, New York City, would have some administrative data available concerning the shipment.

[REDACTED]
United States Customs, New York City, advised on March 5, 1964, that he has very limited information available which is as follows:

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Re: Shipment of 984 Cases of Rifles
Aboard the "SS Fenris"

The "Fenris" does carry 984 cases of American rifles in hold #4. These rifles were being returned from Marseilles, France. The shipper is listed as Agencie Maritime, Delamare et cie, Paris. The importer here (in the United States) is International Arms Corporation, 10 Prince Street, Alexandria, Virginia. Agents for the vessel are S. W. Hartman Company, Inc., 120 Wall Street, New York City. The ship is scheduled to leave New York for Baltimore, Maryland.

The rifles were, however, listed on the cargo manifest on March 5, 1964.

(b)(c) [REDACTED] advised that he had absolutely no additional information available.

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REFERENCES:

Bulet to Mr. J. WALTER YEAGLEY, Assistant Attorney General, dated 1/28/64, captioned as above; letter of Mr. J. WALTER YEAGLEY, Assistant Attorney General, Internal Security Division, US Department of Justice, to Bureau dated April 22, 1964, captioned as above.

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Report of: [REDACTED] (b)(7)(C) Office: New York, New York
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Title: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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**RE - HAITI
NEUTRALITY MATTERS**

In reviewing Customs' investigation and material
available to other agencies, be alert for any information
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- 1 - 105-1622 (Rolando Masferrer)**

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(b7c) Airtel to SAC, Miami
Re: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

In your cover communication submit recommendations
as to what investigation, if any, should be conducted.

[REDACTED]

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To: SAC, Miami (2-156)
2 - New York (105-38180)

From: Director, FBI (2-1622)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

7/26/81
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REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2 2
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(b)(7C) SA [REDACTED] New York Office, advised on October 24, 1964, that Customs, New York, is investigating matter reported in reMMtel October 24, 1964, and UACB New York Office was taking no further action.

In future in submitting data by teletype, as in instant matter, you should include statement that material will be submitted in letterhead memorandum. As you are aware, Bureau has responsibility of disseminating data to Department and other interested Government agencies. These instructions should be called to attention of all Agents handling Cuban and Haitian matters.

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Airtel to Miami and New York
Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
2-1622

Miami and New York should maintain liaison with Customs and review its investigative results to obtain any information which would be useful to Bureau in investigation of individuals in possible violation of Foreign Agents Registration Act. Where warranted, separate investigations should be initiated and Bureau kept currently advised. New York is origin in Masferrer case; however, in view of indication activities primarily centered in Miami, Miami should closely follow all phases of this matter.

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☐ AIRGRAM ☐ CABLEGRAM ☐ RADIO ☒ TELETYPE

PAGE TWO FROM MIAMI 240300

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AS NOTED IN RE MIAMI TEL, US CUSTOMS, MIAMI IS CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION LOOKING TOWARD THE SEIZURE OF A CACHE OF ARMS TO BE USED IN AN INVASION OF HAITI.

NEW YORK CONTACT CUSTOMS, NYC, TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER THEY HAVE RECEIVED THE INFO IN THIS TELETYPE AND ARE CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION LOOKING TOWARD THE LOCATION OF THE ABOVE AIRPLANES.

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NEWARK AND NEW YORK ALSO FURNISH THIS INFO TO FAA LOCALLY.

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

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Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 10-23-64

Un Rifle is Anti-Castro organization headed by Rolando Masferrer. Masferrer, notorious Cuban exile who was politically active in Cuba during regime of former Cuban President Batista. ~~His~~ dissemination is being made to State (Cuban Coordinator)

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Date: 11/9/64

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Via AIRTEL _____

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-95677)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (105-1597)

RE: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
IS-HAITI

Re BuTel dated 11/7/64.

Rolando Masferrer
Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of letter-
head memorandum in instant matter. Copies also enclosed
for New York and Newark who have an interest in this matter.

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- 4 - Bureau (Enc. 11) (RM)
(1 - 105-95677)
(1 - 2-1622)
- 1 - New York (105-5503) (Info) (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 1 - Newark (INFO) (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 4 - Miami
(1 - 2-156) (R. MASFERRER)
(1 - 105-5003) (UN RIFLE)
(1 - 105-8591) (P. VALDIVIA)

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referred
(referred) Local dissemination made to INS, [REDACTED] State Department Coordinator of Cuban Affairs, U.S. Customs (Miami, Key West and Region II), U. S. Coast Guard, G-2 Ft. McPherson, Ga., ONI, OSI and Border Patrol.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Miami, Florida

Re: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI

ALLEGATION OF INVASION OF HAITI
FROM MIAMI

referred

[REDACTED]

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confirms information furnished to Mr. E. N. Powers on 11/8/64 by
T. D. Donohue.

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Re: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

RESULTS OF CONTACT WITH SOURCES
KNOWLEDGEABLE IN HAITIAN EXILE,
ANTI-CASTRO CUBAN MATTERS

On November 7, 1964, various sources, who are all knowledgeable in current proposed Haitian exile-anti Castro Cuban action against the Government of Haiti, were contacted:

These sources all stated that combined Haitian exile-anti Castro Cuban operations are in the process of being planned at the present time, but nothing is immediately projected as far as they know. None of these sources were aware of any organization by the name of National Security Volunteers. They stated it is very doubtful that any invading group would go directly from the United States to Haiti to launch an attack. They would undoubtedly first stage in another country, most likely the Dominican Republic.

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[REDACTED] feels quite certain that no groups have left the Miami area in the recent past, including the past week, to invade Haiti. [REDACTED] many things are in the planning stage as far as overthrowing Duvalier is concerned, but these operations have not "jelled", principally due to the lack of money. [REDACTED] all plans

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Re: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

of which he knows or in which he is involved are to be executed without involving the United States Government in any way and without violating United States laws.

CONTACT WITH OTHER GOVERNMENT
AGENCIES REGARDING ALLEGED INVASION

On November 7, 1964, Chester Woish, Chief, Investigations Branch, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Miami, said he had absolutely no information about any groups leaving the Miami area to invade Haiti.

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Date: 10/27/64

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Via AIRTEL _____

REGISTERED MAIL

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES (P)

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(NYfile 105-55031)

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NEUTRALITY MATTERS

(OO: NY)

(Bufile 105-105638)

(NYfile 105-52912)

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Re Miami teletype 10/24/64. DATE OF REVIEW

(b7c) [REDACTED] US Customs, NYC, was contacted on 10/24/64, and advised Customs was aware of the facts outlined in reMtel. On 10/25/64, [REDACTED] advised that Customs was conducting an investigation in this matter.

On 10/26/64, [REDACTED] Compliance and Security Division of the FAA, Kennedy Airport, NYC, was furnished details in reMtel.

(4) Bureau (105-95677) (RM)

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UACB, the NYO will take no further action in this matter, which is a violation wherein Customs has primary jurisdiction.

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Director, FBI (105-88881)

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Enclosed for New York is one copy of State Department
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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)(105-95677)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)(105-1597)

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Copy to: CIA/State/~~NSA~~ *AAG-Keag/FAA*
ONI/OSI/ACSI/*Customs/Coast Guard*
By routing slip for info *State-Board for Cuban Affairs*
Date *11-5-64* by *HVL/de*

ReBuairtel 10/27/64 under MASFERRER caption, Miami
tel dated 10/23/64, captioned "UNRIFLE" and Miami tel dated
10/24/64 captioned "HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES."

Enclosed for the Bureau are 12 copies of a letter-
head memorandum per instructions set forth in referenced
Bureau airtel. Copies of this letterhead memorandum are
being disseminated locally to INS, State Dept. (Cuban
Affairs Office), U. S. Border Patrol, U. S. Customs,
U. S. Coast Guard, ONI, G-2, Ft. McPherson, Ga., OSI,
Robins AFB, Ga., ~~_____~~ and FAA.

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1 - New York (105-38120)(Info)(Enc-1)(RM)
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On 10/23/64, STANLEY SCHACTER, Customs Agent, Miami, advised SA [REDACTED] that Customs was conducting surveillances in connection with the information furnished by [REDACTED] in an effort to locate and seize the arms involved. On 10/29/64, Mr. SCHACTER advised that Customs investigation was continuing in connection with this matter.

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Miami, Florida

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RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI
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[REDACTED] advised that he was in possession of information regarding some arms and ammunition which had been cached in Miami by Cuban and Haitian exiles who were planning an eventual expedition against Haiti. He said that the group involved was connected with ROLANDO MASFERRER. [REDACTED] he expected to obtain additional accurate information which would pinpoint the location of the arms.

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Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA NEUTRALITY MATTERS
Reference	Memorandum dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past

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To: SAC, Miami (105-8389)

From: Director, FBI (105-134915)

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Reurairtel 11-7-64 and its enclosed LHM.

Although you indicate in reLHM that Customs official stated Customs had developed no information that subject is involved with Father Jean Baptiste Georges (who is under current investigation by Customs), referenced communications are not clear as to whether or not Customs is investigating subject. Note also in this regard that original allegation concerning subject mentions that Rolando Masferrer Rojas, who is also under investigation by Customs, is involved with subject's group. It is possible Customs may be investigating subject in connection with its Masferrer investigation.

Accordingly, contact Customs at once to determine whether subject is under investigation by that agency in connection with its over-all investigation of Georges, Masferrer or other matters. If not being investigated by Customs, initiate investigation to identify subject and ascertain whether he is engaged in activities in violation of neutrality statutes under Bureau's jurisdiction. Furnish results in report form and upon conclusion of investigation matter will be presented to Department if facts warrant such action.

Furnish results of your contact with Customs by
11-19-64.

1 - 2-1622 (Rolando Masferrer Rojas)
1 - 105-133501 (Father Georges)

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(b7c) Airtel to SAC, Miami
Re: [REDACTED]
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To: SAC, New York (105-55031)
2 - Newark (Enclosures - 2)

From: Director, FBI (105-95677)

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of same date.

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It would appear from a review of material contained
in your memorandum that Customs is possibly investigating many
of individuals referred to in connection with its investigation
of Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, who is allegedly seeking to
organize a joint Haitian-Cuban invasion attempt against Haiti.
In order to avoid a duplication of effort, you should immediately
furnish Customs with a copy of your memorandum. At that time
you should determine from Customs which of the individuals
referred to in memorandum are being investigated by Customs and
advise Bureau accordingly.

Separate investigations should be opened on those
individuals not being investigated by Customs, provided a case
is not presently pending.

1 - Miami (105-1597)
1 - San Juan (105-5928)
1 - WFO

1 - 105-110101 (Paul Toussaint)
1 - 105-126939 (Legion Liberatrice)
1 - 105-121421 (Combat)
1 - 105-133501 (Father Jean Baptiste Georges)
1 - 105-133597 (Forces Armees Revolutionnaires Haitiennes)
1 - 2-1622 (Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas)

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Airtel to SAC, New York
Re: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
105-95677

Investigation should be reopened on Combat and Legion Liberatrice to determine their leaders and activities. Your investigations should determine if these groups are engaged in activities in U.S. in violation of Foreign Agents Registration Act or neutrality statutes in Bureau's jurisdiction. In this regard, particular attention should be given to Section 960, Title 18, USC, which pertains to organizing a military or naval expedition against a friendly foreign country.

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b7d) Enclosed for Newark Office is one copy each of referenced New York airtel and memorandum. It is noted [REDACTED] stated that members of Combat and Legion Liberatrice utilized a camp in New Jersey for training purposes. Newark should conduct appropriate investigation to develop full details as to activity of each group, identify their leaders and individuals who took part in training, and endeavor to determine whereabouts of these people.

Results of all investigation should be submitted by LHM suitable for dissemination and under appropriate captions. A general caption should be avoided in reporting investigation in order that each matter might receive appropriate attention.

This matter should receive prompt attention on part of New York and Newark Offices and Bureau should be kept fully informed on any important developments.

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Airtel to SAC, New York
Re: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
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To: SACs, New York (105-38120)
Miami (2-156) (Enclosure)
From: Director, FBI (2-1622)-273
Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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ReMteletypes 10/23 and 24/64, NYOairtel 10/27/64,
and Buairtel 10/27/64.

Maintain contact with available sources to obtain all information possible pertaining to organizing of Haitian invasion attempt. All pertinent information developed should be furnished under appropriate captions and in a form suitable for dissemination. As stated in Buairtel 10/27/64, if information is received indicating possible violation of Foreign Agents Registration Act, separate investigations should be initiated where warranted. In submitting information Bureau should be informed what action, if any, is being taken by submitting office.

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Airtel to SACs, New York
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Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General

October 29, 1964

Director, FBI

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INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
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Reference is made to your communication dated
April 22, 1964.

Attached is a memorandum dated October 29, 1964.
Note in the attached memorandum that the Bureau of Customs
in Miami, Florida, is conducting investigation in this matter.
For your additional information our New York Office determined
on October 24, 1964, with reference to the information set
forth in the attached memorandum which was furnished by the
other Government agency on October 23, 1964, that the
Bureau of Customs in New York is also conducting investigation.

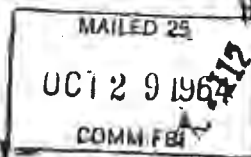
Copies of the attached memorandum are being furnished
to the interested agencies including the Federal Aviation
Agency; the Bureau of Customs; the U. S. Coast Guard; the
Central Intelligence Agency; and the Coordinator for Cuban
Affairs, Department of State.

In view of the investigation being conducted by
Customs, no investigation of the neutrality aspects is
being conducted by this Bureau. We will follow this matter,
however, and any additional pertinent information received
will be made available to you.

Upon removal of the classified enclosure, this
communication becomes unclassified.

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October 29, 1964

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

The captioned individual is a former Cuban senator who is in exile in New York City. He has previously been involved in Haitian and anti-Castro activities.

On October 22, 1964, [REDACTED] advised that he had information regarding some arms and ammunition which were cached in Miami by Cuban and Haitian exiles who were allegedly planning an eventual expedition against Haiti. the group involved was connected with the subject.

This representative on October 23, 1964, advised that representatives of Customs [REDACTED] and that Customs was conducting investigation in this matter.

1 - Miami (2-156)
1 - New York (105-38120)

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Via AIRTEL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)
SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-HAITI-CUBA; RA-HAITI-CUBA; NM
HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
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CC TO: Mr. Tolson
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ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, IS-HAITI-CUBA; RA-HAITI-CUBA; NM".

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 12 copies of an
LHM setting forth information concerning above captioned
subject matters.

- 1-Bureau (2-1622) (Encs. 12) (RM)
- (1 - 105-95677)
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1-NY 105-57297 (II Frente-Alpha)
1-NY 105-61857 (Combat)
1-NY 105-69212 (Fr. JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES)
1-NY 105-38120 (MASFERRER)
1-NY 105-55031 (Haitian Revolutionary Activities)

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The NYO will maintain contact with [REDACTED] ROLANDO MASFERREH, and established sources and report any (b7c, b7d) developments in this matter.

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Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas;
Haitian Revolutionary Activities

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Rolando Masferrer Rojas, 42-26 81st Street, Elmhurst, Queens, New York, a former Cuban Senator, newspaper editor, and leader of a notorious private army in Cuba known as "The Tigers," on October 30, 1964, advised that he has been associated with a group of Haitian exiles headed by Father Jean Baptiste Georges and Paul Toussaint, who are seeking to overthrow the government of Haiti with the assistance of Cuban exiles. Masferrer stated that

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Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas;
Haitian Revolutionary Activities

[REDACTED]

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(b7c) Masferrer stated that he has spoken many times with Father Georges, Paul Toussaint, and Magloire, and he has advised them of his, Masferrer's, past difficulty in taking men to the Miami area prior to an invasion. Masferrer stated that he pointed out to them the difficulty he previously encountered in obtaining housing, food, and supplies prior to departure from the United States. Masferrer stated that despite his warnings, this particular Haitian group under Father Georges, has gone ahead and has obtained a house in the Miami area where the men are put up temporarily, and also, presumably through [REDACTED] have a training base somewhere in the Florida Everglades.

Masferrer advised that he has only a couple of his men with this Haitian group and the most important one,

**Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas;
Haitian Revolutionary Activities**

as he has previously pointed out, was [REDACTED] Masferrer advised that he has not sent his men to Florida and in every way possible has attempted to dissuade others, namely, Cuban exiles and the Haitians themselves, from going to Florida until they are completely ready to make their trip to the Dominican Republic. Masferrer advised that according to information which he had from his contacts in Florida, the Haitian and Cuban exiles who have already departed the New York area had been met in Miami by [REDACTED] who had put them up temporarily in a house which they control in the Miami area.

Masferrer advised on October 30, 1964, that Father Madrigal had been to Washington, D.C. during the week of October 18, 1964, and had conferred there with representatives of the United States Department of State

Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas;
Haitian Revolutionary Activities

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Masferrer, on October 30, 1964, furnished a copy of the newspaper, "El Tiempo", a Spanish language newspaper published weekly in New York City, for which Masferrer works. This issue was dated October 24, 1964, which carried front page headlines stating that Cuban exiles had invaded Haiti. On page 4, the story entitled, "Cuban Exiles Invade Haiti, Pact with Patriots" appears and this story was written by Modesto Rojas. This article stated that a thoroughly armed expedition consisting of 30 exiled Cubans and 20 Haitians landed on October 21, 1964, on the southwestern coast of Haiti. Masferrer advised that he was thoroughly familiar with this article [REDACTED]

(b7c) [REDACTED] stated that the contents of the article were fabricated and that there was no basis for this story.

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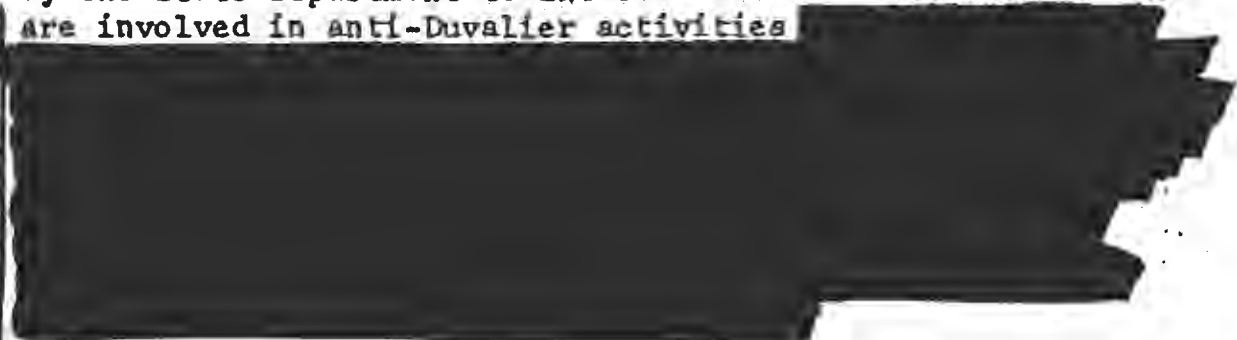
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Re: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

On November 7, 1964, Wallace Shanley, Assistant Customs Agent in Charge (Enforcement), Customs Agency Service, Miami, advised that his unit has developed no information about any invasion group leaving Miami for Haiti. He said that the Customs Agency Service has been closely covering groups which they know are planning anti-Duvalier activity, and none of these groups have departed for Haiti as far as he knows.

Shanley further stated that Customs had been asked by the State Department to interview several individuals who are involved in anti-Duvalier activities



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HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
IS - HAITI

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 - (1 - 105-69574 FARR)
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Copies of the LHM are being furnished locally to INS, State Department (Coordinator of Cuban Affairs), Border Patrol, Customs (Miami, Region II and Key West), Coast Guard, ONI, G-2, OSI, [REDACTED] and FAA.

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AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Will conduct discreet canvass of reliable sources to identify organization which is sending Haitian exiles to instant training camp at No Name Key.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Miami, Florida
November 12, 1964

105-1597

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RE: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI

(b-1) [REDACTED]

The four leading Haitian exile groups which are actively involved at present in plans to overthrow the Haitian Government are:

- 1) Jeune Haiti, an all-white group headed by GUSLE VILLADERON.
- 2) Combat, an all-Negro group headed by PAUL TOUSSAINT and FERMIN JOSEPH.
- 3) La Legion Liberatrice headed by BERNARD SANSARICQ.
- 4) Forces Armees Revolutionnaires Haitiennes (FARH) headed by Father JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES.

All of these groups have their headquarters in New York, and have recruited their members principally

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RE: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

from the New York area, where approximately 40,000 Haitians live at present. The groups have the distinct characteristic of having young leaders and members who are idealistic and burning with the desire to overthrow DUVALIER and his repressive regime.

Jeune Haiti has infiltrated some of its members into Haiti, where they are active at present as guerrillas.

The leaders of "Combat" have been in contact with anti-CASTRO Cubans in Miami, and have enlisted their assistance in the fight against DUVALIER.

The feeling of the Haitian exile groups at present is to proceed against Haiti, whether or not they violate United States laws. These groups have been waiting until after the United States Presidential Election in order not to embarrass the government, but they now feel nothing further can delay them. The groups will try to avoid breaking the law, but will not be too concerned if they do. Any arrest by United States authorities will, they feel, publicize their cause to the world and show that the United States is helping to keep in power a cruel, ruthless dictator.

PEDRO VALDIVIA, who was a Colonel in the Cuban Army during the BATISTA regime, is the military expert and planner for the proposed combined Haitian exile-anti-CASTRO Cuban operation, and he has said nothing now should stop the attack against DUVALIER.

The Haitian exile groups are anxious to receive United States assistance, or at least a waiver of certain laws to permit them to operate. Regardless of this, they plan to attempt to attack Haiti. If they do not receive any assistance from the United States and are successful, they will, in the future, refuse to trade with the United States and obstruct any United States efforts to develop Haiti. They feel

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RE: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

they can receive sufficient help to maintain Haiti from France and other European countries.

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(b-1) [REDACTED] said the one incident which has unified and strengthened the Haitian exiles more than anything else was the recent alleged beheading of several Haitian rebels who were captured by DUVALIER's troops. Their heads, according to Haitian newspapers, were displayed in Port-Au-Prince as a lesson to the population that they must not revolt against DUVALIER.

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105-1597

Title	HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
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Reference	Memorandum, dated and captioned as above, at Miami, Florida.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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1 - Mr. Little
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To: SAC, New York

From: Director, FBI

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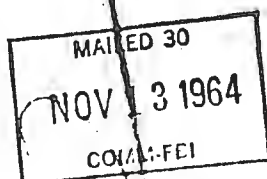
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-95677) DATE: NOV 9 1964

FROM : SAC, WFO (105-40360) (P)

SUBJECT: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
IS - HAITI
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ReWFOairtel and LHM, 10/7/64.

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(b7c) SA [REDACTED] conducted the investigation described in enclosure.

[REDACTED]

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LEADSCHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will check logical sources for any info relating to collections being made for arms or any other efforts for an invasion of Haiti.

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MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA. An info copy is being furnished the Miami Office in view of their interest in captioned matter.

NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. Will consider the advisability of contacting ROLANDO MASFERRER for any info he may have relating to funds collected for an invasion of Haiti.

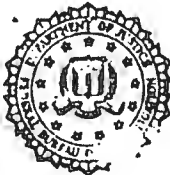
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WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

AT WASHINGTON, D. C. Will maintain contact with logical sources for any info concerning captioned matter.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

WASHINGTON 25 D. C. 20535

November 9, 1964

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] advised that he is acquainted with Father Jean Baptiste Georges, a Haitian exile, [REDACTED]

Father Georges became disenchanted with the regime of Haitian President Francois Duvalier and voluntarily left Haiti.

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b7d) [REDACTED] knows of no activities on the part of Father Georges to collect funds to overthrow the regime of Duvalier, observing that he is a "man of the cloth" and is very active in youth work. He further believes that Father Georges' activities are mostly based on religious connections and from this standpoint is probably acquainted with more Haitians than anyone else he knows. He feels, however, that Father Georges would avoid any open violation of United States laws, and therefore doubts that he would be in charge of any collections for funds that would be used in a revolution against Duvalier.

[REDACTED] heard of various collections in New York City and Chicago, Illinois, but does not know if Father Georges is connected with these collections. He was unable to furnish any additional information regarding collections in these two cities.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] advised that the only information he has in

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connection with collections being made to promote a revolution against the regime of Duvalier is that relating to Rolando Masferrer. [REDACTED] has heard that Masferrer, a former Cuban Senator, has been receiving an unidentified amount of money from time to time from former Haitian President Paul Magloire, a resident of New York City. [REDACTED] heard that Masferrer has convinced Magloire that he has some Cubans that he is able to control who are capable "hill fighters." [REDACTED] individuals who are skillful in fighting in mountainous areas would be advantageous in Haiti as Haitians are not adept at this type of warfare. [REDACTED] knows of no direct action taken by Masferrer to fulfill his promises made to Magloire. [REDACTED] of the opinion that Masferrer has probably pocketed any money given to him by Magloire.

[REDACTED] obtained the above information from [REDACTED]

Concerning Father Georges, [REDACTED] has only heard about him and knows of no activity on Father Georges' part relating to Haitian revolutionary activities.

[REDACTED] advised that he does not know Father Georges but has heard of him as a very religious and serious minded individual who is highly regarded by Haitian exiles as an "honest man trying to do something good and who should be encouraged." He added that he knows nothing regarding any activities involved in by Father Georges relating to Haitian revolutionary activities.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-95677)

DATE: 11/13/64

FROM : SAC, WFO (105-40360) (P)

SUBJECT: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
IS - HAITI
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ReWFOlet and LHM 11/9/64.

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of a LHM dated and captioned as above. Two copies of the enclosure are being furnished the New York Office.

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AT WASHINGTON, D. C. Will maintain contact with logical sources for any information concerning captioned matter.

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November 13, 1964

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI

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[REDACTED] advised that in connection with collections being made to promote a revolution against the regime of Haitian President Francois Duvalier, he has heard that Rolando Masferrer, a former Cuban senator, has been receiving an unidentified amount of money from time to time from former Haitian President Paul Magloire, a resident of New York City. [REDACTED] Masferrer has convinced Magloire that he has some Cubans that he is able to control who are capable "hill fighters". [REDACTED] individuals who are skillful in fighting in mountainous areas would be advantageous in Haiti as Haitians are not adept at this type of warfare. [REDACTED] knows of no direct action taken by Masferrer to fulfill his promises made to Magloire. [REDACTED] opinion that Masferrer has probably pocketed any money given to him by Magloire.

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[REDACTED] obtained the above information from [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] unable to furnish any additional information concerning Kasferrer's connection with Magloire or any additional information relating to Haitian invasion activities.

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1 - Mr. V. H. Masca
1 - Mr. Little

SAC, New York (105-15031)

11-24-64

Director, FBI (105-28677)

**HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
IS - HAITI**

Reurairtel of 11-12-64 regarding Rolando Masferrer Rojas and Haitian Revolutionary Activities and your airtel of 11-18-64 captioned as above. Reference is also made to Bureau airtel of 11-12-64 instructing that you contact Customs to determine which of individuals and organizations mentioned in your airtel and memorandum of 11-8-64 are being investigated by Customs and advise Bureau. You are also instructed to open separate investigation on those individuals and groups not being investigated by Customs, providing a case is not presently pending.

It is noted in referenced airtels of 11-12 and 12-54, you are contacting Rolando Masferrer from time to time in connection with Cuban and Haitian matters. Since these individuals are apparently being investigated by Customs, it is suggested that you contact Customs and inform Customs of your contacts with both individuals and determine if such contacts will in any manner jeopardize their investigations.

This matter should be handled promptly.

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[REDACTED] has also been in contact with [REDACTED] from time to time and
[REDACTED] New York was previously
[REDACTED] instructed to determine from Customs the names of individuals
and groups that Customs is investigating. It is felt we should
not be contacting persons that are being investigated by Customs
as they may claim later that they have been cooperating with
U.S. Government and possibly jeopardize Customs case.

1 - [REDACTED]
1 - 105-1632 (Rolando Masferrer)

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MASERRER was interviewed by SA [REDACTED]

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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New York, New York
November 18, 1964

Haitian Revolutionary Activities

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Paul Toussaint, leader of the exile organization Combat, has excluded all Cubans affiliated with Rolando Masferrer Rojas from his group. Source stated that Toussaint had acted upon the advice of the Cuban priest, Father Diego Madrigal. Source stated that Toussaint still has some Cubans associated with him and Toussaint is confident that a successful invasion of Haiti can be launched.

[REDACTED] as a result of the Toussaint-Masferrer split, Masferrer was very angry and reportedly went to Haiti for five or six days.

[REDACTED]

On November 18, 1964, Rolando Masferrer Rojas, 42-26 81 Street, Elmhurst, Queens, New York, advised that he had not recently been to Haiti or the Dominican Republic. He stated that he and his men are no longer associated with the Haitian exile group led by Paul Toussaint. He said that the reason for this is that Toussaint is getting additional men and material from another source.

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ReBuairtel to NY, 11/12/64.

In accordance with Bu instructions, a copy of NY LHM of 11/6/64, in captioned matter, was furnished to Customs, NYC.

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On 11/16/64, Customs Agent [redacted] advised that Customs, NY, is the auxiliary office to Customs, Miami, which is handling the investigation arising from the confiscation of arms and ammunition destined to Father GEORGES. He stated that in his opinion, no Customs investigation will be conducted concerning the "Haitian and Cuban patriots," such as PAUL TOUSSAINT and FERMIN JOSEPH. Customs will, however, continue investigation of the "American mercenaries" such as [redacted]. There is also the possibility that GEORGES will be used as a Government witness.

Miami is requested to contact Customs, Miami, for a more positive declaration by that office.

NY has reopened cases on Combat, Legion Liberatrice

- 3 - Bureau (RM)
- 2 - Miami (105-1597) (RM)
- 1 - Newark (Info) (RM)
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and PAUL TOUSSAINT. NY will open or reopen cases on other individuals identified as active in these and other Haitian exile groups.

NM should consider opening or reopening investigation of FIRMIN JOSEPH and assume origin since JOSEPH is currently active in that area.

UACB, NY will not consider interview of Father GEORGES in view of his present status. NY case on GEORGES is pending and GEORGES is reportedly residing in Queens, NY.

With regard to the location of a training camp in New Jersey, NY airtel of 11/12/64, entitled "ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, IS - HAITI - CUBA; RA - Haiti - CUBA; NM," sets out information concerning same.

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FROM: SAC, NEWARK (105-14915) (RUC)

SUBJECT: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
IS - HAITI

Re Bureau airtel, 11/12/64.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eleven copies, to Miami, two copies and to New York, three copies of a LHM dated and captioned as above.

On the dates indicated, the following Cuban informants advised they could furnish no specific information concerning Haitian Revolutionary plans or activities and more specifically regarding Haitian training at Jose Marti Encampment:

- 4 - Bureau (Encs. 11) RM
(1 - 2-1622) (ROLANDO MASFERRER)
- 2 - Miami (105-1597) (Encs. 2) RM
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(1 - 105-38120) (ROLANDO MASFERRER)
- 5 - Newark
(1 - 97-315) (ROLANDO MASFERRER)
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(1 - 105-7006) (ANTI-CASTRO ACTIVITIES)

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (105-55031)

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HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
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- 1-NY 105-61857 (COMBAT)
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Director, FBI

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ReNYairtel of 11/20/64 enclosing memorandum of
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In view of allegation contained in referenced
memorandum regarding former Haitian General Leon Cantave,
New York Office is instructed to submit a report on
General Cantave bringing his activities up to date and con-
taining the new allegation. In view of allegation, an
active investigation should be instituted and logical leads
set out.

Miami Office is instructed to submit an up-to-date
report on Oscar Pino y Pine bringing his activities up to date
and include information contained in referenced memorandum.
Miami should also institute an active investigation of Pine
and any logical leads should be set out.

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1 - 105-119521 (Oscar Pino)

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New York, New York
December 3, 1964

Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas
Internal Security - Haiti - Cuba
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New York, New York
December 3, 1964

Title Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas
Haitian Revolutionary Activities

Character Internal Security-Haiti-Cuba
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Internal Security-Haiti

Reference is made to memorandum dated
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SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
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Enclosed herewith are 12 copies of an LHM setting forth information concerning the above captioned subject matters.

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Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas
Haitian Revolutionary Activities

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Rolando Masferrer, on November 30, 1964, advised that neither he nor any member of his organization was currently involved in Haitian revolutionary activities, and that their support has been rejected by Father Madrigal, ~~Father Jean Baptiste Georges~~, and Paul Toussaint.

Masferrer advised that his organization, which at one time was known as Un Rifle (One Rifle), had been dissolved quite some time ago. Masferrer advised that his organization is now known as the Patriotic Club "Bobby Fuller." Masferrer stated that this organization is working with the Patriotic Movement of Free Cuba which is directed by Dr. Carlos Marquez Sterling, a former Cuban Senator and presidential candidate in Cuba.

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FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (105-1597)

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11/12/64.

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On 12/1/64, Agent [REDACTED] U. S. (b7c)
Customs Agency Service, Miami, was orally advised of
information in LHM and stated Customs would closely
follow activities of the Haitian exiles in Miami and
at the training camp at 40 Mile Bend.

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Miami, Florida
December 2, 1964

Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA;
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA;
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HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI;
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On November 27, 1964, David Quintas Gonzalez, 208 Campina Court, Coral Gables, Florida, a Cuban exile who is not affiliated with any particular anti-Castro group but who is associated with certain Cuban and Haitian exiles, advised as follows.

Several months ago Paul Toussaint and Fermin Joseph, Haitian revolutionaries in exile in the United States, contacted Quintas to request his assistance in developing a plan to overthrow the Duvalier Government in Haiti utilizing a joint Haitian - Cuban exile force. Another Cuban who had been contacted in this regard by Toussaint and Joseph is Pedro Valdivia, formerly a colonel in the Cuban Army.

Quintas said that he was asked to rent a house to provide shelter for the Cubans and Haitians to be sent to Miami from New York to participate in this plan. Quintas rented a house at 2164 N. W. 19th Avenue.

Quintas was also asked to locate a farm outside Miami which could be used to set up a training site for the Haitians and Cubans. Quintas said that he was unable to locate such a farm.

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About ten to fifteen Cubans stayed at this house but have since returned to New York City. As far as Quintas knows there are no Haitians or Cubans involved in this plan presently in Miami, excepting Fermin Joseph, Valdivia and Jean Elie, another Haitian.

Quintas explained that a number of meetings were held at his house attended by Toussaint, Joseph, Pedro Valdivia, and Jean Elie. Various plans for training, arming, and moving a group of men from Miami to Haiti were discussed. The problem of obtaining a boat was discussed at length but never solved, chiefly because of the lack of adequate funds. Toussaint had some funds but they were far from adequate to support this plan. Toussaint has since returned to New York City. Fermin Joseph was residing at the Ponce de Leon Hotel on Flagler Street, Miami, but moved to an apartment near N. W. 3rd Street and 15th Avenue, where he resides with his brother and one Luisito, last name unknown.

Quintas said that Rolando Masferrer Rojas was obviously involved in this plan by reason of his contacts with Haitians in the New York City area.

Quintas reported he had heard that a training camp was operating at a farm near New York which was being used to train Haitians and Cuban followers of Masferrer and Quintas said that while he is friendly with Masferrer, he is not a part of the Masferrer group, does not support Masferrer, or represent him in Miami.

Quintas advised that Rolando Masferrer, his aide, Elvio Mir, and his cousin, Antonio Rojas, came to Quintas' home one night to discuss this plan. At that time Masferrer was upset because he believed that he was being excluded from the plan after he had been instrumental in initiating the discussions concerning it. Quintas said that he could not recall the date of the above visit but it was early in November, 1964. Masferrer returned to New York City shortly afterward.

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Other names mentioned in the presence of Quintas were Eladio Del Valle, a Cuban exile in Miami, and Juan Grupe, a Mexican with Haitian interests who lives in New York. Quintas said he does not know the extent of the involvement of these individuals. Quintas, himself, continues to have contact with Fermin Joseph but considers that he, Quintas, is somewhat outside of this plan at the moment.

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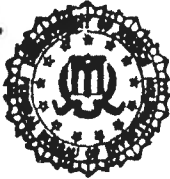
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Miami, Florida
December 2, 1964

Title ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
 HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

Character INTERNAL SECURITY-HAITI-CUBA;
 REGISTRATION ACT-HAITI-CUBA;
Reference NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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Since MASFERRER's activities with Haitian exile groups have ceased, the NYO will not conduct any active investigation concerning MASFERRER but will remain alert for any possible violation of United States law over which the Bureau has jurisdiction.

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Information copies of this report are being furnished to Miami, Newark, and WFO because of their interest in the activities of MASFERRER.

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Report of: [REDACTED] (b7c) Office: New York, New York
Date: 2/19/65
Field Office File #: 105-38120 Bureau File #: 2-1622
Title: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA - HAITI;
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI
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Synopsis:

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ROLANDO MASFERRER stated that he has been associated with a group of Haitian exiles headed by PAUL TOUSSAINT and Father JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES. MASFERRER advised that he put ELVIO MIR, an associate of his, in the Haitian movement in order to keep abreast of developments because if the Government of Haiti is overthrown, the Haitians promised the Cubans who helped them a base from which to operate against Cuba. MASFERRER advised that the Haitian and Cuban exiles took military training at a farm in Hope, New Jersey. [REDACTED] PAUL TOUSSAINT, a leader of a Haitian exile group, [REDACTED] advised that all Cubans associated with ROLANDO MASFERRER had been excluded from his group known as "Combat". MASFERRER

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SYNOPSIS CONTINUED:

on 11/18/64 advised that neither he nor any of his men are
associated with PAUL TOUSSAINT.

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MASFERRER, on 11/30/64, stated that
his support has been rejected by the Haitian exiles led by
Father JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES and PAUL TOUSSAINT.

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Concerning PAUL TOUSSAINT, mentioned above, it is noted that he is one of the leaders of a Haitian exile group known as Combat.

Concerning Father JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES, it should be noted that he is a Roman Catholic Priest who heads a Haitian revolutionary organization known as Forces Armees Revolutionnaires Haitiennes (Haitian Revolutionary Armed Forces) (FARH).

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, 42-26 81st Street, Elmhurst, Queens, New York, a former Cuban Senator, newspaper editor, and leader of a notorious private army in Cuba known as "The Tigers," on October 30, 1964, advised that he has been associated with a group of Haitian exiles headed by Father JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES and PAUL TOUSSAINT, who are seeking to overthrow the Government of Haiti with the assistance of Cuban exiles. MASFERRER stated that assisting this movement to overthrow the government of Haiti is ex-President of Haiti PAUL MAGLOIRE. MASFERRER stated that

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MAFERRER stated that he has spoken many times with Father GEORGES, PAUL TOUSSAINT, and MAGLOIRE, and he has advised them of his, MAFERRER's, past difficulty in

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taking men to the Miami area prior to an invasion. MASFERRER stated that he pointed out to them the difficulty he previously encountered in obtaining housing, food, and supplies prior to departure from the United States. MASFERRER stated that despite his warnings, this particular Haitian group under Father GEORGES, has gone ahead and has obtained a house in the Miami area where the men are put up temporarily, and also, presumably through [REDACTED] have a training base somewhere in the Florida Everglades.

(b7c) MASFERRER advised that he has only a couple of his men with this Haitian group and the most important one, as he has previously pointed out, was [REDACTED] MASFERRER advised that he has not sent his men to Florida and in every way possible has attempted to dissuade others, namely Cuban exiles and the Haitians themselves, from going to Florida until they are completely ready to make their trip to the Dominican Republic. MASFERRER advised that according to information which he had from his contacts in Florida, the Haitian and Cuban exiles who have already departed the New York area had been met in Miami by [REDACTED] who had put them up temporarily in a house which they control in the Miami area.

referred MASFERRER advised on October 30, 1964, that Father MADRIGAL had been to Washington, D.C., during the week of October 18, 1964, and had conferred there with representatives of the United States Department of State [REDACTED]

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MASFERRER, on October 30, 1964, furnished a copy of the newspaper, "El Tiempo", a Spanish language newspaper published weekly in New York City, for which MASFERRER works. This issue was dated October 24, 1964,

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which carried front page headlines stating that Cuban exiles had invaded Haiti. On page 4, the story entitled, "Cuban Exiles Invade Haiti, Pact with Patriots" appears and this story was written by Modesto Rojas. This article stated that a thoroughly armed expedition consisting of 30 exiled Cubans and 20 Haitians landed on October 21, 1964, on the southwestern coast of Haiti. MASFERRER advised that he was thoroughly familiar with this article [REDACTED] and he stated that the contents of the article were fabricated and that there was no basis for this story.

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(b7d) [REDACTED] advised that PAUL TOUSSAINT, leader of the Haitian exile organization called "Combat", had excluded all Cubans affiliated with ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS from his group. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TOUSSAINT still had some Cubans associated with him and that TOUSSAINT thought that a successful invasion of Haiti could be launched.

[REDACTED] as a result of the TOUSSAINT-MASFERRER split, MASFERRER was very angry and reportedly went to Haiti for 5 or 6 days.

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS on November 18, 1964, advised that he had not recently been to Haiti or the Dominican Republic. He stated that he and his men are no longer associated with the Haitian exile group led by PAUL TOUSSAINT. MASFERRER stated that the reason for this split was that TOUSSAINT was getting additional men and material from another source.

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DAVID QUINTAS GONZALEZ, 208 Campina Court, Coral Gables, Florida, a Cuban exile who is not affiliated with any particular anti-CASTRO organization, on November 27, 1964, during the course of interview, furnished the following information:

QUINTAS stated that ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS was obviously involved in a plan of Haitian exiles to overthrow the Government of Haiti and that MASFERRER had contact with Haitian exiles in the New York area.

QUINTAS reported he had heard that a training camp was operating at a farm near New York which was being used to train Haitians and Cuban followers of MASFERRER and QUINTAS said that while he is friendly with MASFERRER, he is not a part of the MASFERRER group, does not support MASFERRER, or represent him in Miami.

QUINTAS advised that ROLANDO MASFERRER, his aide, ELVIO MIR, and his cousin, ANTONIO ROJAS, came to QUINTAS' home one night to discuss this plan. At that time MASFERRER was upset because he believed that he was being excluded from the plan after he had been instrumental in initiating the discussions concerning it. QUINTAS said that he could not recall the date of the above visit but it was early in November, 1964. MASFERRER returned to New York City shortly afterward.

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Other names mentioned in the presence of QUINTAS were ELADIO DEL VALLE, a Cuban exile in Miami, and JUAN GRUPE, a Mexican with Haitian interests who lives in New York. QUINTAS said he does not know the extent of the involvement of these individuals. QUINTAS, himself, continues to have contact with FERMIN JOSEPH but considers that he, QUINTAS, is somewhat outside of this plan at the moment.

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ROLANDO MASFERRER, on November 30, 1964, advised that neither he nor any member of his organization was currently involved in Haitian revolutionary activities, and that their support has been rejected by Father MADRIGAL, Father JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES, and PAUL TOUSSAINT.

MASFERRER advised that his organization, which at one time was known as Un Rifle (One Rifle), had been dissolved quite some time ago. MASFERRER advised that his organization is now known as the Patriotic Club "Bobby Fuller." MASFERRER stated that this organization is working with the Patriotic Movement of Free Cuba which is directed by Dr. CARLOS MARQUEZ STERLING, a former Cuban Senator and presidential candidate in Cuba.

MASFERRER advised that the Patriotic Club "Bobby Fuller" is in memory of an American, BOBBY FULLER, who came from Holguin, Oriente, Cuba, and who had been killed by a firing squad when he attempted, with others, to get inside Cuba.

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ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, 42-26 81st Street, Elmhurst, Queens, New York, a former Cuban Senator, newspaper editor, and leader of an anti-CASTRO organization in New York, advised on December 14, 1965, that there were many rumors going about the exile Cuban community regarding the shelling of the UN Building on December 11, 1964, and that most people feel that this was not the act of a particular organization but rather the act of an individual. MASFERRER stated that it is also the general consensus of opinion among Cuban exiles that whoever had shot the bazooka was well enough acquainted with it and with the intricate timing device to have hit the UN if that was his intention. MASFERRER stated that it was his personal opinion that whoever was responsible for firing the bazooka wanted to gain attention for the anti-CASTRO movement and to express the displeasure of the Cuban exiles in allowing Major ERNESTO GUEVARA SERNA, Cuban Minister of Industry, to come to the United States and address the UN.

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ROLANDO MASFERRER on January 18, 1965, advised that he no longer had any active interests in activities regarding Haitian revolutionary groups. MASFERRER advised that it was in early November, 1964, that he had severed his relationship with these organizations and since that time has not been active with any Haitian group.

MASFERRER stated that he still, as a newspaper man, maintains interests regarding activities of Haitians concerning any plans to overthrow the present Government of Haiti by military action. MASFERRER also stated that as a Cuban he also maintains his interest regarding activities which may eventually bring about the overthrow of the present Cuban Government. MASFERRER stated that he continues to keep those associated with him alert for any developments inside Cuba. MASFERRER stated that he had no plans to carry out military action against Cuba but if and when such action begins inside Cuba, he and people associated with him will be willing to go to Cuba to fight.



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

February 11, 1965

Title Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas

Character Internal Security - Cuba-Haiti
 Registration Act-Haiti
 Neutrality Matters

Reference is made to the report of Special
 (b7c) Agent [REDACTED] dated
 and captioned as above, at New York.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (109-584)

3/9/65

SAC, NEW YORK (105-35253)

ANTI-FIDEL CASTRO ACTIVITIES
IS-CUBA

Re Chicago letter to Director dated 2/19/65.

Referenced Chicago letter to Director dated 2/19/65 suggested that the NYO may wish to comment regarding the editorial staff of "El Tiempo" as to whether or not it may have information or sources of value in the intelligence field.

As Chicago is aware, STANLEY ROSS, who has been the subject of investigation by the Bureau in the past, is a controversial figure in the newspaper field in the New York area but he does have numerous contacts with newspapers and newspaper personalities from Latin America. Many of the feature stories for "El Tiempo" are written in a manner of sensationalism in order to sell newspapers and this policy has paid off as the circulation of "El Tiempo" has grown steadily.

Besides STANLEY ROSS, the other leading writer on the staff of "El Tiempo" is ROLANDO MASPERRER ROJAS, whose identity is known to the Bureau and Miami as being a former Cuban Senator and leader of a notorious private

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army in Cuba under ex-President FULGENCIO BATISTA. Practically all of the articles concerning anti-CASTRO activities and revolutionary activities printed in "El Tiempo" are attributable to MASFERRER. It is also known by the NYO that STANLEY ROSS has confidence, trust, and depends heavily on MASFERRER for articles involving anti-CASTRO activities.

The NYO has been in contact with MASFERRER and he has been cooperative and in many instances has furnished the source or sources of his information when questioned. The NYO points out, as previously stated, that many of the sensational articles appearing in "El Tiempo" are based on a certain amount of truth and a great deal of exaggeration and wishful thinking. The NYO does not contemplate making any effort to determine sources utilized by STANLEY ROSS and MASFERRER in writing articles for "El Tiempo".

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To: SAC, WFO (Enclosure)
2 - Miami (Enclosure)
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From: Director, FBI (97-New)

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WFO is instructed to check with INS to determine if subject is in U.S. and, if so, type of visa he possesses. If in U.S., appropriate field offices should be advised in order that a Registration Act investigation might be instituted on subject. If subject possesses an official visa, Bureau should be immediately advised in order that State Department clearance might be obtained for investigation of subject. No active investigation should be instituted until such clearance is obtained, if subject has an official visa. WFO should also check with Visa Office at State Department to determine if a visa has been issued to subject and, if so, determine type of visa.

If subject is in U.S., WFO should [redacted] should subject enter U.S. in near future.

New York and Miami should check with appropriate Haitian and Cuban sources to determine if subject is in U.S. and, if so, endeavor to determine through established sources purpose of visit and type of visa possessed by subject. If subject is located by New York or Miami, furnish all available details to WFO and Bureau. If subject does not possess an official visa, immediately institute investigation to determine if subject's activities are in violation of Registration Act.

1 - 105-88521 (Mario Kohly)
1 - 2-1622 (Rolando Masferrer)

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Airtel to SAC, WFO
Re: LAMY CAMILLE

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In late 1964 Masferrer, a notorious Cuban exile, sought to join up with Haitian exiles in U.S. who subsequently learned of his true character and broke off relations. Mario Kohly is a self-proclaimed anti-Castro exile leader and has been characterized as a liar, unreliable and a name-dropper. He was recently convicted on a counterfeiting charge, which conviction is now being appealed.

DIRECTOR, FBI (105-112098)

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SAC, NEW YORK (105-57297) (P)

SECOND NATIONAL FRONT OF ESCAMBRAY-
ALPHA 66-MRP-ALIANZA REVOLUCIONARIA
IS-CUBA;
RA-CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Re San Juan letter to Director dated 3/11/65,
entitled "Segundo Frente Nacional Del Escambray (SNFE);
IS-Cuba".

Enclosed herewith for San Juan is a copy of
the article which appeared in "El Tiempo", a Spanish
language newspaper published weekly in New York City,
dated 11/21/64. Article is entitled "Menoyo en las
Montanas Zona Oriental de Cuba" and it was written by
PEDRO DEL LIANO. The article appeared on page 3 as the
feature article of the 11/21/64 issue of "El Tiempo".

The article in which San Juan is interested
was furnished to the NYO on 4/12/65, by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PEDRO DEL LIANO is a pen name
for ROLANDO V. FERRER, ROAS who is the author of this
article. [REDACTED]

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ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, 42-26 81st Street, Elmhurst, Queens, New York, on 4/12/65, advised that he was the writer of the article regarding ELOY GUTIERREZ MENOYO which appeared in the 11/21/65 issue of "El Tiempo". MASFERRER said that he wrote this article and used the name of PEDRO DEL LLANO.

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MASFERRER further advised on 4/12/65, that the source of his information concerning the MENOYO article was Rev. DIEGO MADRIGAL who made a trip to Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, in late October, 1964. MASFERRER said that Fr. MADRIGAL travelled to Santo Domingo with Fr. MANUEL E. COLMENA, exiled Cuban Catholic priest, [redacted] in order to speak with DONALD REID CABRAL, a member of the ruling triumvirate of the Dominican Republic. Fr. MADRIGAL, according to MASFERRER, was attempting to obtain a military base in the Dominican Republic from which Haitian exiles could launch an invasion of Haiti with the assistance of Cuban exiles in an effort to overthrow President FRANCOIS DUVALIER.

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MASFERRER advised that Fr. MADRIGAL had informed him that DONALD REID had stated that there were three camps in the Dominican Republic [redacted] and CABRAL identified the three groups as MENOYO's, the Junta Revolucionaria Cubana (JURE) of MANUEL RAY RIVERO and the Directorio Revolucionario Estudiantil (DRE). MASFERRER stated that he wrote this article as a news item which would be of great interest to the Cuban exiles and in no way was the article intended to cause any difficulty for GUTIERREZ MENOYO.

MASFERRER advised that in writing this article he did not indicate that GUTIERREZ MENOYO and his group landed at Baracoa, Oriente, Cuba, but he assumed that this would be the area since it was so close to the Dominican Republic. MASFERRER advised that when Fr. MADRIGAL was speaking with DONALD REID in Santo Domingo in late October, 1964, DONALD REID stated that MENOYO and his group had just left their camp in the Dominican Republic and were going either to Cuba or to another base in the Bahamas.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 4-27-65

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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New York is requested to contact appropriate sources and informants to determine whether or not MASFERRER is presently in New York City.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (C)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-CUBA-HAITI
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DATE: 5/6/65

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MAFERRER advised that he maintains regular contact with SANTIAGO REY, a former Minister of ex-President FULGENCIO BATISTA and with General GARCIA TONON. MASFERRER

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advised that it has often been reported that if there was an election among the exiles for the establishment of a Cuban Government in Exile the former followers of BATISTA would vote for Dr. CARLOS MARQUEZ STERLING. These rumors are known to MARQUEZ STERLING, but MARQUEZ STERLING has always stated BATISTA has never informed him of this, and MARQUEZ STERLING does not know whether this is truth or rumor. 44

MASFERRER stated that he knows of no organization among the Batistanos other than the close unity which has existed among these people for many years. MASFERRER stated that SANTIAGO REY has always been in close contact with BATISTA and just recently made a trip to Spain and Portugal to visit with BATISTA. MASFERRER noted also that the best newspapers and best newspaper men among the Cuban exiles continue to receive financial support from BATISTA. MASFERRER stated that he did not think that this interest on the part of BATISTA showed any desire to come back into power but merely to keep his name before the Cuban exiles and to act as a defense weapon for any articles which may be printed by anti-BATISTA forces in exile. MASFERRER stated that he had been informed, although he does not know it to be a fact, that it costs BATISTA approximately \$38,000.00 a month for this newspaper publicity and that this money is paid in Miami through close friends of BATISTA's brother-in-law, ROBERTO FERNANDEZ MIRANDA. 44

MASFERRER further stated on 5/3/65 that if there was any organized military force among the Batistanos, it would be headed by former Admiral RODRIGUEZ CALDERON and former General GARCIA TUNON. MASFERRER said that he is in regular contact with GARCIA TUNON and considers him to be a very pleasant and enjoyable individual but not a well respected military man. MASFERRER said that GARCIA TUNON has his position of importance among the former military because of his past close association with BATISTA elements. 44

MASFERRER advised that, in his opinion, the most talented and respected military man in exile is ex-Major ANGEL SANCHEZ MOSQUERA. MASFERRER said that, in his opinion, 44

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BATISTA realizes how important SANCHEZ MOSQUERA is, and in order to neutralize his influence he has placed SANCHEZ MOSQUERA on his payroll and has had him working with a construction company which is operated by BATISTA's brother-in-law, ROBERTO FERNANDEZ MIRANDA. X u

MASFERRER also stated on 5/3/65 that he maintains contacts with the former BATISTA people in order to keep abreast of developments, but he presently does not have any active part in any plans which the BATISTA elements may have. MASFERRER also stated that he has not been to Miami in the past several months and has no intention of going to Miami in the near future. MASFERRER stated that he and his family have decided that this past winter was the last one which they would spend in NY as the climate was too severe for them and that he is contemplating moving to a warmer climate and had been considering the Dominican Republic prior to the present revolt there, and, in addition, will be in contact with "TACHITO" SOMOZA when he next visits NY as SOMOZA once invited him to settle in Nicaragua. X u

MASFERRER stated that he has, even to the present, maintained his interest in anti-CASTRO activities and still has available to him certain weapons but he has no plans to carry out any military activity and can state categorically that there is no anti-CASTRO organization in exile that can bring about any military action in Cuba. MASFERRER stated that in his opinion the only way that CASTRO can be overthrown is by an internal uprising and extensive aid and assistance from the US Government. X u

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ROLANDO ARCADEO MASTRERRE ROJAS

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Enclosure contains an allegation apparently within investigative jurisdiction of Bureau of Customs. Miami should determine from Customs if it is conducting an investigation regarding allegation for a possible violation of the Munitions Control Act. If so, Miami should maintain contact with Customs. When Customs investigation is completed, review its investigation to determine if there is any basis for a possible violation of the Registration Act or Neutrality Statutes within Bureau jurisdiction. Miami should submit results of its review of Customs' investigation along with its recommendations as to whether or not an active investigation should be instituted.

If Customs is not conducting an investigation of allegation against subject, Miami should institute an investigation to determine nature of subject's activities and if they are in violation of the Registration Act and Neutrality Statutes within Bureau jurisdiction.

Both New York and Miami should contact appropriate sources acquainted with Haitian Revolutionary Activities to determine if there is any basis to allegation that subject is active in Haitian Revolutionary Activities.

Bureau files disclose no additional pertinent information on Aurea Esther Foggie Aragon not already in possession of the Miami Office.

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Letter to Miami
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1522)

DATE: 6/29/65

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (C)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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ROLANDO MASFERRER was contacted on another matter on 6/23/65, at which time he was questioned about AUREA ESTHER POGGIO ARAGON. MASFERRER stated that AUREA POGGIO was a young woman who has been active in revolutionary activities in behalf of his, MASFERRER's, organization in the Miami area. MASFERRER stated that AUREA POGGIO currently resides in San Juan, Puerto Rico, and he had never asked her to make any trip to Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, concerning Haitian exiles residing in that country.

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MASFERRER also stated that he had not sent any weapons to the Miami area in care of Miss POGGIO for distribution to Haitian revolutionaries. U

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MASFERRER on 6/23/65, advised that he has in the past sent weapons to the Miami area and these weapons then come under the control of his cousin, ANTONIO ROJAS MASFERRER. MASFERRER said that ANTONIO ROJAS has the authority to distribute whatever weapons are available to individuals, regardless of nationality, who are in a position to accomplish some military mission against the Communists in the Caribbean area. U

MASFERRER advised that he was not actively engaged with any Haitian exile group but keeps abreast of Haitian developments only from the standpoint of news as he contributes quite a few articles to the Spanish language newspaper "El Tiempo" for which he works. MASFERRER advised that he has regular contact with Reverend DIEGO MADRIGAL, a Cuban Catholic priest who is in contact with segments of Haitian revolutionaries, both in NY and Miami, Florida. *Cuba* U

In view of the above, no further investigation will be conducted in this matter by the NYO.

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Director, FBI (105-141619)

1 - Mr. Masca

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Attached for each office is a copy of item dated June 10, 1965 at New York, which was received from IIS on June 23, 1965 by liaison channels.

Recipients note that the information originated with Belgado Masferrer, who is a notorious Cuban exile who has been engaged in anti-Castro activities. He is well known to the New York and Miami Offices.

The "Washington Capital News Service" reported the following information on 7/7/65:

Miami--Eloy Gutierrez Menoyo, refugee leader captured inside Cuba on a guerrilla mission, has been sent to the Isle of Pines, Fidel Castro's chief political prison, two Cuban refugee groups reported today.

The second front of Escambray, which Menoyo headed, and the Alpha 66 group which later joined forces with him, reported Menoyo's transfer to the island prison. He had been held at "Political Police Headquarters" in Havana, the groups said.

Menoyo was captured with three companions last December in the Baracoa Mountains.

Enclosure

1 - New York Enclosure
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1 - 105-67772 (Miret)
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1 - 105-68288 (Menoyo) (note through for review)
1 - 105-1622 (Masferrer)

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NOTE:

Masferrer furnished information to INS indicating that Gutierrez, prominent anti-Castro exile who has been captured by Castro, or Miret, former Minister of Agriculture under Castro, ^{Major} in Castro Army, had been arrested and was being held by Dominican authorities. We should determine the veracity of this data.

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TO : Director, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : SAC, Miami (2-156) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA
RA - Haiti - Cuba
NM
New York OO

JUN 30 1965

CC TO: [redacted]
REQ. REC'D 8-1-74
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Enclosed for the Bureau are 12 copies of LHM setting forth information concerning MASFERRER.

Copies have been disseminated locally to ONI, G-2, INS, OSI, Border Patrol, Customs, Coast Guard and State Department, Cuban Affairs.

On June 23, 1965, Mr. SHANLEY advised that Customs has this matter under investigation, and requested to be advised of any pertinent information developed by the Miami Office concerning this matter.

Mr. SHANLEY was orally furnished with the information contained in the enclosed LHM, and was advised that any subsequently received pertinent information would be promptly furnished to him.

- 2 - Bureau (Encls. 12) (RM)
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- 2 - Miami (1-2-156)

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INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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Dr. ~~ORLANDO BOSCH~~ is the leader of an anti-
CASTRO organization known as the Movimiento
Insurreccional Recuperacion Revolucionaria
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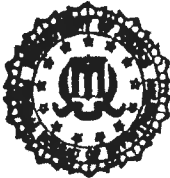
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Reference memorandum dated and captioned

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Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-95677)

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (105-1597) (P)

SUBJECT: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
IS - HAITI

DATE: AUG 7 1965

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Coordinator of Cuban Affairs, Department of State, Miami,
Miami, Coast Guard, Miami, Customs, Border Patrol,
and INS.

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NEW YORK:

Requested to contact appropriate sources to
determine whether the DANIEL (LNU) mentioned in enclosed
LHM could be identical to DANIEL FIGNOLE, and "CONTAVE"
possibly identical to General LEON CANTAVE.

MIAMI:

MASFERRER

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 12) (RM)
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 - (1 - 2-379) (ELADIO DEL VALLE)
 - (1 - 2-156) (ROLANDO MASFERRER)
 - (1 - 105-1744) (D. FIGNOLE)

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Miami, Florida

AUG 7 1965

Re: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY
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INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI

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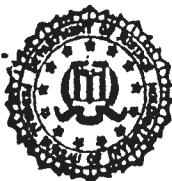
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Miami, Florida

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AUG 7 1965

Title HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI

Reference Memorandum dated and captioned
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SAC, New York (105-34497)

9/23/65

Director, FBI (105-76303)

1 - Mr. Solomon

DANIEL FIGNOLE
IS - HAITI
OO : NY

Rolando ARNOLD Masferrer ROJAS

Re Miami letter and LHM 8/7/65 and New York
letter to the Bureau 8/25/65, all under the caption
"Haitian Revolutionary Activities, IS - Haiti."

New York is to initiate investigation concerning
Fignole in an effort to substantiate or disprove the
allegation that he is attempting to recruit an invasion
force made up of Cuban emigres. All established sources
in a position to assist are to be contacted and other
investigation deemed appropriate is to be conducted.

The possible involvement of Leon Cantave
and Rolando Masferrer in this matter is to be explored
and results reported.

Results of your investigation are to be
submitted in form for dissemination.

Enclosure

2 - Miami (105-1744) (Enclosure)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (100-1744) (P)
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IS - HAITI
OO: NEW YORK

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NEW YORK:

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

- 1) Will contact Haitian informants re FIGNOLE's proposed plan, and his present whereabouts, keeping in mind he may come to Florida to accomplish his objectives.
- 2) Will attempt to ascertain if FIGNOLE has recently been in contact with ROLANDO MASFERRER, and purpose of such contact.

MIAMI:

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will contact sources in the Haitian and Cuban fields re alleged plans of DANIEL FIGNOLE.

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SAC, New York (105-34497)

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1 - Mr. Solomon

Director, FBI (105-78300) *2-1622*

DANIEL FIGUOLE
IS - HAITI
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(OO: NEW YORK)

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- 1 - Mr. Masca
- 1 - Mr. Solomon

To: SACs, New York (105-38120) (Enclosures - 7)
 Miami (2-184) (Enclosures - 2)

From: Director, FBI (2-1632) - 293

ROLANDO ARCADIO MABFREARZ ROJAS
 IS - HAITI - CUBA
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- 1 - 105-95677 (Haitian Revolutionary Activities)
- 1 - 105-76303 (Fignole)
- 1 - 105-65100 (Cantave)
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Via AIRTEL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-335475)

FROM: (b-1) SAC, NEW YORK [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
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(OO: NY)

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for Miami.

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Special Agent in Charge

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LEADS

NEW YORK

At New York, N.Y.

Will contact established Haitian sources regarding the purpose of LEON CANTAVE's reported trip to Miami during the week of 9/19-25/65.

MIAMI

At Miami, Florida

Will contact established Haitian sources concerning the purpose of LEON CANTAVE's reported trip to Miami during the week of 9/19-25/65.

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New York, New York
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Haitian Revolutionary Activity

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FBI

Date: 10/8/65

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Via AIRTEL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (C)
SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-HAITI-CUBA
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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 19 copies of
an LHM setting forth information concerning the above subject
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There are also enclosed to the Bureau two copies of the LHM for transmittal to Legat, Mexico.

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[REDACTED] stated that no information had been received indicating that ROLANDO MASFERRER was engaged in revolutionary activities, neither Cuban nor Haitian.

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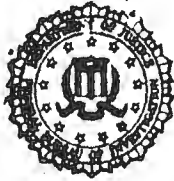
UACB, the NYO is placing this case in a closed status, but in the event that additional information is received during the course of continuing investigation into Haitian revolutionary activities, this matter will be reopened.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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New York, New York
October 8, 1965

Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas
Internal Security - Haiti - Cuba;
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Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas

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... were interviewed on October 5, 1965,
in the NEW YORK Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation
(FBI) concerning the foregoing information.

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Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas

Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, 42-26 81st Street, Elmhurst, Queens, New York, who currently is writing for the new Spanish language daily newspaper in New York called "Mundo Americano" which has its printing offices located at 76 Gerry Street, Brooklyn, New York, on October 5, 1965, stated that he is not involved in any activities concerned with overthrowing the Government of Haiti. Masferrer stated that he has been working with "Mundo Americano" for about two months and that he is working six days a week on the average of fourteen to fifteen hours a day in getting out this newspaper. Masferrer advised that he is not actively engaged, at the present time, in any revolutionary activities as he sees no possibility at the present time of achieving any success in military affairs against Cuba or Haiti, and secondly, because he does not have the time to devote himself to these activities.

Masferrer advised that he has been a close friend of Father Diego Madrigal ever since he came into exile and that Father Madrigal currently is engaged in Haitian revolutionary activities with Father Jean Baptiste Georges. Masferrer stated that Father Madrigal came to him recently and had asked for assistance in the form of manpower and weapons. Masferrer stated that he told Father Madrigal that he would be in a position to raise a force of one hundred Cubans to assist him and that these people would be armed. Masferrer said that the hundred men whom he promised Father Madrigal would be individuals who have been friendly to him since he came into exile and that many of these men are former members of Brigade 2506 which invaded Cuba in 1961 and Cuban exiles who received military training in the United States Army at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. Masferrer stated that these hundred men which he offered to Father Madrigal would come from New York, Miami, and possibly Los Angeles. Masferrer stated that the majority of the men would come from the Miami, Florida, area.

Masferrer advised that he was not going to furnish weapons to these people but would make sure that they purchased their own weapons before they joined with Father Madrigal and Father Jean Baptiste Georges. Masferrer stated that he had always been of the opinion that, logistically speaking, a base

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Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas

in Haiti would be an excellent spot from which to operate against Cuba in bringing aid to people in the Province of Oriente who are opposed to the present government in Cuba. Masferrer advised that the invasion force of Haiti would be composed almost entirely of Cuban exiles because, although the Cubans are undependable, nevertheless, they are far better than the Haitians in such matters.

Masferrer stated that he had no knowledge of any group of men in Mexico who would be used to invade Cuba or that Nandin Robaina was in any way connected with Haitian revolutionary activities. Masferrer stated that he has known Fernando Robaina, who is known by the nickname of "Nandin", since he was about fifteen years of age and that "Nandin" recently failed in a business venture in Texas and moved to Mexico. Masferrer said that Robaina was of a sugar family in Cuba and knew the sugar industry very well but that he has never been engaged in any revolutionary activity, either Cuban or Haitian. Masferrer said that Robaina is by nature and experience a "playboy" and would not under any circumstance know how to carry out assignments in revolutionary activities.

Masferrer also stated on October 5, 1965, that he has not had any meeting or discussion with General Leon Cantave since September, 1963, when he had attempted to assist Cantave when Cantave invaded Haiti from the Dominican Republic. Masferrer further stated that he had only seen Daniel Fignole once in his life and that he has never spoken with Fignole.

Masferrer also advised that his brother, Rodolpho Masferrer, known as "Kiki" Masferrer, has never represented him in any discussions regarding revolutionary activities. Rolando Masferrer said that his brother, "Kiki", has not been engaged in revolutionary activities and currently is practicing dentistry in Florida. Masferrer stated that the only individual who is authorized to speak or act for him is his cousin, Antonio Rojas Masferrer, who is in Miami, Florida.

Masferrer stated that he wanted to reiterate emphatically that he is not now engaged in any revolutionary activity whether it be Cuban or Haitian. He stated that he

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Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas

has offered services of people friendly with him to Father Madrigal and through Father Madrigal to Father Jean Baptiste Georges but he has not had any direct personal conversations with Father Georges nor does he have any knowledge that General Cantave or Daniel Fignole currently are involved in revolutionary activities.

Masferrer said that if Father Madrigal and Father Georges are capable of carrying out any activity against President Duvalier which would bring a government favorable to the United States and to the Cuban exiles, he would assist materially in any way he could. Masferrer stated, however, that without the approval of the proper people in Washington, D.C., there will be no successful invasion of Haiti and that he has on many occasion pointed out to Father Madrigal that before he gets too deeply involved in these plans that the whole thing should be discussed with the proper individuals in Washington in order to obtain their approval. Masferrer finally noted that it was his private personal opinion that the alleged plan to invade Haiti would not materialize because there was not the necessary financial support and that the Haitian people were completely undependable.

Sources of the New York Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation who are familiar with Cuban activities in the New York area advised that they had no knowledge of Rolando Masferrer being engaged with Haitian revolutionary activities.

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 IS - HAITI - CUBA
 RA - HAITI - CUBA
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Enclosed for the Bureau are 13 copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. Copies of the LHM have been disseminated locally to ONI, OSI, G-2, Coordinator of Cuban Affairs of the Department of State, Miami, Miami Customs, Border Patrol and INS.

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Miami has alerted logical sources concerning any indication that MASFERRER or any of his men are arriving in the Miami area and any positive information will be immediately submitted. (R) u

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NEWARK

W Will alert appropriate sources for any indication that MASFERRER is training or has any men in New Jersey for use in an attempt to overthrow the DUVALIER government, it being noted that information has previously been received that he had a training site in New Jersey a year or more ago.

NEW YORK

Will alert appropriate sources for any indication that MASFERRER is planning to move men from the New York area in connection with this alleged attempt and promptly advise Miami. (R) u

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Miami, Florida
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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA;
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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Sources generally familiar with activities of Cuban exiles in the Miami area were contacted during October, 1965, for any information indicating that ROLANDO MASFERRER

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RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

ROJAS or his representatives in Miami are actively participating in a plan to attempt to overthrow DUVALIER and no pertinent information has been developed as of this time. (S) u

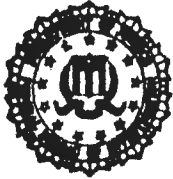
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Miami, Florida
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Title ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA;
 REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA;
Reference NEUTRALITY MATTERS
 Memorandum, captioned and dated as
 above, at Miami, Florida.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WCS*

DATE: 10-16-65

FROM : Mr. R. D. Cotter *RDC*

1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Cotter
1 - Mr. Nasca
1 - Mr. Wacks

SUBJECT: ROLANDO MASFERRER
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(b7c) SA [REDACTED] New York Office, was furnished the above and instructed to give the information to the New York Police Department and the local offices of State and Secret Service. SA [REDACTED] was instructed New York should interview subject.

SA Wacks furnished the information to [REDACTED] Deputy Officer, State, and to [REDACTED] Secret Service, on 10-16-65.

ACTION:

Confirming letters will be sent to State and Secret Service.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-156245)
SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL DAYS OF PROTEST
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DATE *8/27/65*

Re Bureau phone calls, 10/16/65.

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MASFERRER was interviewed by SA [REDACTED] (b7c)

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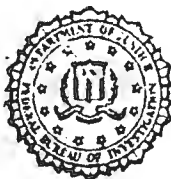
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International Days of Protest

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On October 16, 1965, Rolando Masferrer was interviewed and advised as follows:

He is the Executive Editor of "Mundo Americano" which is a Spanish language newspaper published in New York City with offices at 701 7th Avenue, fifth floor. He had not attended any type of meeting in several weeks, and specifically not on the night of October 15, 1965. He works every night at the newspaper office and was so working the night of October 15, 1965, until late when he went home. U

He knew of no plans by any group to disrupt the demonstration on October 16, 1965, and particularly not by violence. He is firmly against this type of demonstration and has publicly so stated on many occasions, but to suggest violence against demonstrators would be politically stupid as the Communists would vigorously and profitably exploit any violence against demonstrators. U

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International Days of Protest

He stated he had placed an article in the October 17, 1965, issue of "Mundo Americano" on page 18, which he exhibited. This article referred to the demonstration planned for October 16, 1965, and urged all anti-Communist Cuban organizations to be present at this demonstration in order to express solidarity with the United States, whose sons are dying in Asia. This article did not suggest any violence be done toward the demonstrators.

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AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34497)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-76303) -P-

SUBJECT: DANIEL FIGNOLE
IS - HAITI
NEUTRALITY MATTER
(OO: NY)

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(b7c) On 10/22/65, JAMES A. FLYNN, Agent in Charge,
Criminal Investigation and Enforcement, Bureau of Customs, NYC,
advised SA [REDACTED] that the Bureau of Customs
does not have a current investigation pending concerning the
subject.

New York has nothing new to report concerning FIGNOLE
or his "organization," MOP, except recontact with some of the
informants used in the "HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES" LHM

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of 9/29/65, and contact with additional informants and sources who furnished substantially the same information that is, that FIGNOLE to their knowledge is inactive except for the sporadic appearances of issues of his Haitian newsletter. New York to date has been unable to learn the current address of FIGNOLE, but expects to obtain it within the near future.

In view of these facts and in view of the fact that New York intends to request permission to interview General LEON CONTAVE in the near future, a request to interview FIGNOLE is being held in abeyance at this time.

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NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. 1. Will maintain informant contacts concerning the subject.

2. Will consider requesting permission to interview FIGNOLE as circumstances develop in this matter.

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General

November 18, 1965

Director, FBI

1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Solomon

DANIEL FIGUOLE
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI
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Reference is made to this Bureau's memorandum dated October 8, 1965, at New York, New York, captioned "Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, Internal Security - Haiti - Cuba, Registration Act - Haiti - Cuba, Neutrality Matters" which contains information alleging that Masferrer and a number of prominent Haitian exiles in this country have entered into plans to overthrow the Government of President Francois Duvalier of Haiti.

It is noted that investigation, the results of which are set forth in our October 8, 1965, memorandum, failed to confirm the allegations made against Masferrer. We are remaining alert for any further pertinent information with regard to his current activities and appropriate investigative action will be taken in the event such information is received.

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley

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Inquiry of the Bureau of Customs has determined that that Bureau is conducting no current investigation with regard to the possible violation of Neutrality Matters statutes on the part of Fignole, except that its Miami, Florida, office is monitoring the activities of certain Cuban exiles to ascertain if any guns are being sent to the Miami area. The Federal Bureau of Investigation is therefore instituting an investigation in the matter. The Bureau of Customs is being so advised and will be kept currently informed of developments in our investigation.

NOTE FOR SACs NEW YORK AND MIAMI:

Local offices of Bureau of Customs, Miami and New York, are to be informed we are conducting investigation concerning subject. Close liaison is to be maintained with Customs to insure we obtain pertinent information they may receive promptly. Copies of reports are to be disseminated to Customs at the local level.

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SAC, NEWARK (97-315) (RUC) ✓

• ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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RA-HAITI-CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS
(OO: NEW YORK)

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RE: Miami airtel to the Bureau, 10/7/65.
Newark airtel to the Bureau, 10/15/65, captioned
"HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES, IS-HAITI".

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Re Miami airtel and LHM 10/7/65.

There has been no information developed subsequent to submission of re LHM which would indicate pertinent activity on the part of any MASFERRER people in the Miami area

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In view of the lack of any recent activity this case is being placed in RUC status. Since no pertinent information has been developed subsequent to submission of 10/7/65 LHM, an LHM is not being prepared.

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Mr. W. C. Sullivan

W. R. Wannall

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
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Father Jean Baptiste Georges, exiled Haitian Catholic priest residing in New York City and former Haitian Minister of Education under President Duvalier, has been active in plans and attempts to invade Haiti since his exile in 1963. He is strongly anticommunist. In August, 1964, Georges was arrested by Bureau of Customs in connection with the illegal transportation of arms from New York City to Miami, Florida, which arms were intended for use by a small band of exile invaders then inside Haiti. Prosecution was declined. Georges is registered with Department of Justice under Foreign Agents Registration Act as head of the Forces Armees Revolutionnaires Haitiennes (FARH), a Haitian exile group dedicated to the overthrow of the Duvalier regime. We have conducted continuing investigation of Georges since his arrival in United States in 1964. C

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- 1 - 105-136254 (Georges)
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The Attorney General

December 17, 1963

Director, FBI

**HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI**

Enclosed is a memorandum containing information indicating a current intensification of activity among Haitian exile leaders in the United States aimed at the overthrow of President Francois Duvalier of Haiti by invasion of that country.

This Bureau is giving continuing investigative attention to the situations described in the enclosure.

The enclosed memorandum is also being furnished to the Honorable Marvin Watson at the White House.

105-85677

Enclosure

1 - The Deputy Attorney General - Enclosure
1 - Mr. J. Walter Hengley - Enclosure
Assistant Attorney General

1 - 105-133501 (Georges)
1 - 105-145165 (Vixamar)
1 - 105-48100 (Cantave)
1 - 105-76303 (Fignole)
1 - 2-1748 (Rignad)
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1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Solomon

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FROM DIRECTOR FBI (105-135501)

FATHER JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES; INTERNAL SECURITY DASH HAITI;
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OFFICE OF ORIGIN: NEW YORK

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- 1 - 2-1622 (Masferrer)
- 1 - 105-136254 (Madrigal)
- 1 - 105-95677 (Haitian Revolutionary Activities)

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TELETYPE TO SAC NEW YORK
MIAMI
NEWARK
SAN JUAN
RE: FATHER JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES

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NEW YORK INSTRUCTED TO SUBSUTEL TO REACH BUREAU BY NINE A.M.
DECEMBER FOURTEEN, NEXT SETTING FORTH ITS RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING
IMMEDIATE INTERVIEW OF GEORGES AND OTHER PRINCIPALS. TO ASSIST NEW Y
MIAMI, NEWARK AND SAN JUAN SUTEL RESULTS OF THEIR INVESTIGATION
IMMEDIATELY TO BUREAU AND NEW YORK.

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Mr. W. C. Sullivan

December 15, 1965

Mr. W. E. Vannall

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. Wick
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1 - Mr. Vannall
1 - Mr. Solomon

FATHER JEAN BAPTISTE GREGG
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI
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Memorandum is to recommend approval of interview of subject and others allegedly mounting invasion of Haiti by Haitian and Cuban exiles from points in United States. If approved attached teletype will be sent.

OBSERVATIONS:

RECOMMENDATION:

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1 - 105-136254 (Madrigal)

1 - 2-1622 (Masferrer)

1 - 105-95677 (Haitian Revolutionary Activities)

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1 - Mr. Belmont
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TO SACs, NEW YORK
MIAMI
SAN JUAN

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

FATHER JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES
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REBUTEL 12/10/65 and NYTEL 12/13/65.

IMMEDIATE INTERVIEWS OF PRINCIPALS IN THIS MATTER
ARE TO BE CONDUCTED TO OBTAIN ALL DETAILS CONCERNING THE
ALLEGED EXILE INVASION OF HAITI PLANNED FOR THE IMMEDIATE
FUTURE. EACH INDIVIDUAL INTERVIEWED IS TO BE APPROPRIATELY
WARNED OF HIS RIGHTS AS REQUIRED UNDER CURRENT PROCEDURES.
RESULTS OF INTERVIEWS ARE TO BE INCORPORATED INTO FD-302'S
IN VIEW OF POSSIBILITY OF FUTURE PROSECUTIVE ACTION. SIGNED
STATEMENTS ARE TO BE OBTAINED IF POSSIBLE. SUTEL SUMMARY OF
RESULTS OF INTERVIEWS TO BUREAU AND NEW YORK.

NEW YORK INTERVIEW SUBJECT, FATHER DIEGO MADRIGAL
ALVAREZ AND ROLANDO MASFERRER BOJAS.

MIAMI, UNLESS REASONS TO PRECLUDE EXIST, INTERVIEW
RODOLFO MASFERRER BOJAS.

1 - Newark (Information) (By mail)

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SEE NOTE PAGE TWO

1 - 105-136254 (Madrigal)

1 - 2-1622 (Masferrer)

105-136277 (Haitian Revolutionary Activities)

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TELETYPE TO SAC, NEW YORK
RE: FATHER JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES

SAN JUAN, UNLESS REASONS TO PRECLUDE EXIST, INTERVIEW
PIERRE RIGAUD.

ALL INTERVIEWS CALLED FOR ARE TO BE CONDUCTED IN SUCH A MANNER
AS TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATE SECURITY FOR IDENTITY OF THE SOURCE IN
THIS MATTER.

ALL OFFICES ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IDENTITIES OF THE THREE
FORMER CUBAN ARMY OFFICERS REPORTEDLY INVOLVED. PRESENT
INDICATIONS ARE THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE PROBABLY RESIDENTS OF
MIAMI AREA. WHEN THEIR IDENTITIES ARE DETERMINED, MIAMI IS TO
FURNISH BUREAU WITH RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO THEIR INTERVIEW. NEWARK
ADVISED BY MAIL.

NOTE:

See Wannall to Sullivan memorandum dated 12-15-65,
captioned as above, and prepared by ANS;jg:mar.

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1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Liaison

December 17, 1965

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BY LIAISON

1 - Mr. Wansall
1 - Mr. Solomon

Honorable Marvin Watson
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Watson:

Enclosed is a memorandum containing information indicating a current intensification of activity among Haitian exile leaders in the United States aimed at the overthrow of President Francois Duvalier of Haiti by invasion of that country. It is felt that this information may be of interest to the President.

This Bureau is giving continuing investigative attention to the situations described in the enclosure.

The enclosed memorandum is also being furnished to the Attorney General.

Sincerely yours,

105-85677

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Enclosure

1 - 105-133501 (Georges)
1 - 105-145165 (Vixamar)
1 - 105-65100 (Cantave)
1 - 105-76303 (Fignole)
1 - 2-1748 (Rigaud)
1 - 2-1622 (Masferrer)

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1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Liaison

December 16, 1965

1 - Mr. Wannall

1 - Mr. Solomon

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

Information is being received on a current basis which indicates a substantial intensification in the activities of Haitian exile leaders in this country in planning and preparation for invasion of Haiti.



(b7d) [redacted] has learned that Father Georges is reported to have also aligned himself with Leon Cantave, former Chief of Staff of the Haitian military, and Daniel Fignole, former President of Haiti, both of whom reside in exile in New York City. It was reported that this group has raised over \$100,000 and is attempting to acquire additional funds to enable it to equip an army for an

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- 1 - 105-85100 (Cantave) downgrading and
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- 1 - 2-1622 (Masferrer)

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Haitian Revolutionary Activities

invasion of Haiti. This source has received further information indicating that additional leaders in this effort are Roger Rigaud, founder of the National Democratic Union, an anti-Duvalier Haitian exile group in the Dominican Republic, and Paul Verme, a Haitian exile leader living in Venezuela.

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[REDACTED] advised that Henri Vixmar, a Haitian exile living in Brooklyn, New York, has aspirations of seizing power in Haiti by organizing and arming an invasion force to be assembled and trained in the Miami, Florida, area. The source learned that four Haitians recruited by Vixmar recently arrived in Miami from New York City, bringing with them five semiautomatic weapons. These individuals are now located at a safe house rented by Vixmar in Miami for his group. The source has further advised that a rented truck containing a supply of weapons recently travelled from New York to Miami. The weapons were for the use of Vixmar's group. Vixmar reportedly has approximately \$350,000 to finance his invasion effort and desires to be in Haiti in January, 1966. He plans to train a force of 250 men and is attempting to arrange facilities for this activity in the Florida Everglades.

We have also received the following information from [REDACTED]

This source advised of plans to organize an invasion force against Haiti which cannot be identified at this time as Haitian exile led.

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No information has been developed to date to indicate that the three situations described above are part of a centrally directed effort against Haiti or that there is any connection between them.

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Haitian Revolutionary Activities

referred
NOTE: [REDACTED]

Original of this memorandum being furnished to the Attorney General with Xeroxed copies to the Deputy Attorney General and the Honorable Marvin Watson at the White House.

Memorandum Wannall to Sullivan 12-14-63 captioned "Henri Vixamar, IS - Haiti - Cuba, RM" set out details of the Vixamar matter summarized in memorandum and stated that separate letters would be directed to the White House and the Attorney General outlining the overall build up of exile activities aimed at overthrow of Duvalier.

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1 - Mr. Leavitt
1 - Mr. Solomon

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To: SACs, New York (105-55031) (Enclosure)
Miami (105-1597) (Enclosure)

From: Director, FBI (105-95377) - 657
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- 3 - New York
1 - 105-69212 (Enclosure) (Georges)
1 - 105-33120 (Enclosure) (Masferrer)
1 - 105-77178 (Enclosure) (Vixama)
3 - Miami
1 - 105-9215 (Enclosure) (Georges)
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To: SACs, New York (105-38120)
Miami (2-156) (Enclosures - 3)

From: Director, FBI (105-1622)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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New York and Miami are to promptly contact the respective local offices of Bureau of Customs and Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Division, Treasury Department, to determine whether those agencies are conducting current investigation concerning the alleged shipment of arms from New York to Miami by the subject. If so, no investigation is to be initiated but close liaison is to be established with those agencies to insure that we obtain all information of interest to us. Advise Bureau by airtel results of these contacts. If no investigation being conducted by Customs, Bureau will present facts to Department for opinion as to whether they indicate existence of neutrality matters violation under Bureau's jurisdiction. No overt investigation is to be conducted at this time.

In view of Bureau's intelligence responsibilities, we must keep alert to all pertinent developments in matters of this sort to insure that these responsibilities are met. Therefore, New York and Miami during contacts with informants and sources in the Haitian and Cuban field alert them to our continuing interest in such matters. Pertinent results obtained are to be submitted in form suitable for dissemination.

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To: SACs, New York (Enclosure) (105-38180)
Miami (Enclosure) (2-188)
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From: Director, FBI (2-1622) - 303
Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MANSERRE ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA
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Airtel to SAC, New York
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
2-1622

All pertinent information developed is to be set forth in form suitable for dissemination, so that it can be furnished to the Department for an opinion as to whether there is an indication of neutrality matter violations within our investigative jurisdiction.



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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-76303)

DATE: 1/21/66

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-34497)(P)

SUBJECT: DANIEL FIGNOLE
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(b7c) ReBulet to NY 9/23/65, captioned "DANIEL FIGNOLE"
and NY report of SA [REDACTED] dated 12/23/65,
captioned "FATHER JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES."

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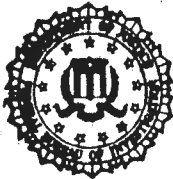
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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 1/26/66

FROM : SAC, Miami (2-156)(P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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Reference Bureau airtels 1/18 and 20/66, and Miami airtel 1/19/66.

Referenced Bureau airtel January 20, 1966, instructed New York and Miami to contact Bureau of Customs to determine if that agency has a current investigative interest in the subject, and if not Miami and New York were to promptly canvass appropriate sources and submit pertinent information developed in form suitable for dissemination.

Referenced Miami airtel January 19, 1966, advised of the investigative interest of Customs, Miami, and stated Miami was not conducting investigation in the matter.

Miami has alerted appropriate sources but is conducting no investigation in view of investigation being conducted by Customs.

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In view of the above, Miami is not conducting investigation in this matter but is alerting its sources to furnish any information they might have or develop.

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
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BOLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
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Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Mohr

DATE: 1/26/66

FROM : W. R. Wannall *Weyhan*

1 - Mr. Wick

1 - Mr. Sullivan

1 - Mr. Wannall

1 - Mr. Nasca

1 - Mr. Solomon

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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Masferrer is notorious Cuban exile residing in New York City who, in the past, has attempted to join up with Haitian exiles in the U. S. in their plans to overthrow the Duvalier government of Haiti. Subject claims to have group of Cuban exile followers in Miami and New York which he will make available for use in any upcoming invasion of Haiti. Masferrer has been subject of extensive investigation by us in the past. Upon interview in late December, 1965, he flatly denied any current activity in regard to revolutionary efforts against Haiti or any other country.

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Memorandum Wannall to Sullivan
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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In line with existing jurisdictional agreements between Bureau of Customs and FBI in neutrality matters, Miami office of Customs was contacted regarding above and advised that Customs regards this activity as a new revolutionary effort on part of subject and has this matter under active investigation. In view of Custom's current investigative interest in Masferrer and his activities, we are instituting no active investigation and we have so advised the Department by letter. Our Miami, San Juan, and New York offices have been instructed by teletype to alert their Haitian and Cuban sources for all pertinent information and to maintain close liaison with local offices of Customs, but to institute no active investigation.

ACTION:

None. For information. You will be advised of pertinent future developments.

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and NYlet to Director 1/21/66 captioned "DANIEL FIGNOLE,
IS-HAITI", and Miami airtel to Director, 1/21/66.

Contact with the following individuals with reference
to reBuairtels was made by SA [REDACTED] on 1/24/66:

JAMES FLYNN, Supervisor, US Customs, NYC, advised
that they have no active investigation going at the present
on the activities of ROLANDO MASFERRER, or Father GEORGES.

[REDACTED] Alcohol and Tobacco Tax, NY District
Office, 641 Washington Street, NYC, advised that ATT had no
active investigation being conducted on ROLANDO MASFERRER at
this time.

[REDACTED] Regional Firearms Supervisor, Alcohol
and Tobacco Tax Division, 90 Church Street, NYC, stated that
they were not actively investigating ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS.

3-Bureau (RM) (1-105-95677) (H.R.A.)
1-New York

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TO-- DIRECTOR, MIAMI AND NEW YORK, AND LOXXX LEGAT, SANTO DOMINGO
(MIAMI, NEW YORK, AND LEGAT, SANTO DOMINGO VIA WASH)
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FROM-- SAN JUAN (105-5928) (011111

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ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS

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IT IS NOTED THAT ON NOVEMBER ONE¹⁸-EIGHT LAST, ANTONIO CUESTA DEL VALLE, MILITARY CHIEF OF COMANDOS L, ANTI-CASTRO ORGANIZATION BASED IN MIAMI, ADMITTED PARTICIPATION IN A RAID ON TARGETS IN HAVANA, CUBA ON NOVEMBER ONE¹⁴-FOUR LAST.

SAN JUAN HAITIAN AND CUBAN SOURCES SO FAR HAVE NOT REPORTED ANY SUCH ACTIVITY AS THAT SET OUT IN ^{U.S. Coast Guard} USCG MESSAGE. OFFICE OF NAVAL INTELLIGENCE, TENTH NAVAL DISTRICT, SAN JUAN AND USCG SAN JUAN ARE AWARE OF NO SUCH BOAT AS THAT MENTIONED, IN PUERTO RICAN WATERS.

MIAMI AND NEW YORK SHOULD CONTACT LOGICAL SOURCES REGARDING THIS MATTER. INQUIRY CONTINUING AMONG HAITIAN AND CUBAN SOURCES BY SAN JUAN OFFICE. COPY TO LEGAT, SANTO DOMINGO, FOR INFORMATION.

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CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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TO-- DIRECTOR, LEGAT, SANTO DTGINGO AND MIAMI

(LEGAT, SANTO DOMINGO AND MIAMI VIA WASH) (ENCODED)

FROM-- SAN JUAN (105-5928)

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES; IS-HAITI.

RE SAN JUAN TEL JANUARY TWO FOUR LAST.

ON JANUARY TWO FIVE INSTANT, SOURCES FAMILIAR WITH CUBAN AND HAITIAN MATTERS IN THE SAN JUAN AREA ADVISED THAT NOTHING HAS COME TO THEIR ATTENTION INDICATING A PLANNED INVASION OF HAITI. SOURCES FURTHER ADVISED THAT BOATS CONTROLLED BY COMANDO L ARE NOT SEA WORTHY AND THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT ANTONIO CUESTA DEL VALLE IS OR HAS RECENTLY BEEN IN PUERTO RICO.

(b)(1) [REDACTED] U.S. COAST GUARD, ADVISED ON JANUARY TWO FIVE INSTANT THAT THE "ANGELINA" A COMANDO L BOAT AND TWO OTHER BOATS WHICH RECENTLY HAVE BEEN OBSERVED IN CONTACT WITH THE "ANGELINA", THE "GLENN ROCK" AND THE "OZAMA" WERE BOARDED BY THE COAST GUARD ON JANUARY TWO FIVE INSTANT FOR ROUTINE INSPECTION AND THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE THAT ANY OF THESE BOATS WAS LOADED WITH ARMED CARGO NOR HAS THERE BEEN ANY OTHER UNUSUAL ACTIVITY NOTED

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THROUGH THEIR AT LEAST TWICE DAILY PORT CHECKS. FURTHER
THERE HAS BEEN NO EVIDENCE THAT ANY BOATS IN THE SAN JUAN
AREA ARE TAKING ON ARMS.

(b)(c) [REDACTED] REITERATED THAT THE ONLY INFORMATION
HE HAS CONCERNING THIS MATTER CAME FROM COAST GUARD SEVENTH
DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS, MIAMIC AND HAS BEEN DISSEMINATED
LOCALLY TO ONI, BUREAU OF CUSTOMS, AND FBI ONLY.

MIAMI WILL ASCERTAIN FROM COAST GUARD SEVENTH
DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS, MIAMI, THE SOURCE OF THIS INFORMATION.

SAN JUAN WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THIS MATTER.

AIRMAIL COPY BEING SENT NEW YORK.

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cc - Mr. Sullivan

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1 - Mr. Solomon.
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TO SACS, MIAMI
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SAN JUAN
LEGAT, SANTO DOMINGO

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (105-86677)

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES, IS - HAITI

RE SAN JUAN TEL. JANUARY TWENTY-FOUR, 1966. [REDACTED]

CUSTOMS CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION OF DELANEO MASFERRER, WHO IS INVOLVED AS LEADER OF THIS PLANNED INVASION. BUREAU, IN VIEW OF CUSTOMS PRIOR INTEREST AND JURISDICTION, CONDUCTING NO ACTIVE INVESTIGATION. ALL OFFICES ALERT SOURCES FOR PERTINENT DATA AND MAINTAIN LIAISON WITH LOCAL CUSTOMS BUREAU. ADVISE BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES BY MOST EXPEDITIOUS MEANS WARRANTED OF PERTINENT DATA RECEIVED.

- ① - 2-1622 (Masferrer)
1 - Foreign Liaison (Route Through For Review)

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TO DIRECTOR //9// (105-95677) MIAMI AND SAN JUAN
MIAMI AND SAN JUAN VIA WASHINGTON "ENCODED"
FROM NEW YORK (105-55031) 2 PAGES

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES, IS DASH HAITI.

REBUTEL JANUARY TWENTYFIVE LAST CAPTIONED AS ABOVE, AND MMAIRTEL
JANUARY NINETEEN LAST CAPTIONED ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, WITH
ENCLOSURES.

SOURCES IN CUBAN AND HAITIAN MATTERS, IN ADDITION TO NYCPD,
ALERTED CONCERNING INSTANT MATTER. U.S. CUSTOMS, NYC ADVISED NO CURRENT
INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY THEM CONCERNING ACTIVITIES OF ROLANDO
MASFERRER.

[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] STATED
THERE WERE MANY RUMORS IN MIAMI ABOUT ROLANDO MASFERRER WITH CUBAN EXILES
AND HAITIAN EXILES INVADING HAITI IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE.
RELATED THAT ANTONIO QUESTA DEL VALLE OF THE EXILE CUBAN ORGANIZATION
COMANDOS L, WAS INVOLVED IN THESE DISCUSSIONS IN MIAMI.

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STATED THAT ROLANDO MASFERRER HAS BEEN VERY ACTIVE IN RECENT WEEKS WITH
HAITIAN EXILE GROUPS WHO ARE SERIOUS ABOUT DOING SOMETHING POSITIVE TO
OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT OF HAITI. [REDACTED] MASFERRER WAS IN
MIAMI EARLY PART OF JANUARY SIXTYSIX CONCERNING PLANS OF A HAITIAN
INVASION. MASFERRER SPENT ABOUT A WEEK IN MIAMI MAKING ARRANGEMENTS AND
HAS AS MILITARY ADVISER A FORMER GERMAN COLONEL, NAME NOT KNOWN, WHO HAD
SPENT TIME IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. [REDACTED]

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Via AIRTEL

(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIA MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-HAITI-CUBA
(OO:NEW YORK)

ReBu telephone call to NY this date.

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS is contacted only on official investigations involving Cuban and Haitian activities. Most contacts with him by the NYO are made by SA [REDACTED] and at no time has advice, counsel or direction been given MASFERRER concerning his involvement in Cuban or Haitian activities. [REDACTED]

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1-New York

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- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Liaison (Mr. Papich)
- 1 - Mr. Vannall
- 1 - Mr. Solomon

To: SACs, Miami (Enclosures - 2)
New York (105-38120) (Enclosure)

From: Director, FBI (2-1622) - 310

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER BOJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI
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Subject should be contacted promptly by two experienced Agents with regard to the allegation that he is indicating possibility of Bureau sanction of his actions through his comments to Haitian and Cuban exiles that he is in constant touch with a representative of the New York Office.

that MASFERRER fully and completely understand that the FBI does not support, endorse, or sanction his activities aimed at the overthrow of the Duvalier Government of Haiti and that he is not to state, imply or otherwise leave the impression that we do. Impress on him firmly, that while we have had occasion in the past to interview him in matters of official interest to us concerning his activities and activities of others, he has no connection whatsoever with the FBI and he should refrain from creating such an implication in his personal contacts. You should point out strongly that our investigations are confidential and he is cautioned and expected to maintain our contacts with him in utmost confidence.

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Airtel to SACs, Miami
New York
Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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Prior to interview called for above you should contact United States Customs Service at Miami and advise that service of our contemplated contact with the subject pointing out that your contact with Customs is being made in view of jurisdiction of that service in investigation of the subject's activities. You should determine from Customs current whereabouts of subject, it being noted he could be located in Miami or New York in view of the changing nature of his preparations for the alleged invasion of Haiti which is imminent.

Should Customs advise subject is in New York and your sources can confirm this, advise New York by most expeditious means. New York should then conduct interview of subject called for above.

The interview to be conducted should be restricted to the subject matter set out above and should not be conducted in a manner to indicate we are making a routine interview of him to obtain intelligence information or that he is being interviewed as the subject of a possible violation of a Federal law. In the event Masferrer volunteers information of value to the Bureau or other Government agencies during this interview same should be immediately furnished Bureau and interested offices for appropriate action.

NOTE:

See cover memorandum Wannall to Sullivan, same caption, dated 1-28-66, prepared by ERH:mar.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (109-321)

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ADVISED BY SLIP(S)
DATE 5/27/81

SAC, NEW YORK (105-61131)

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CARLOS MARQUEZ STERLING
IS - CUBA

Re Bureau 0-17 form dated 5/18/65, concerning
case entitled "ROLANDO ARCADIO MASPERREN ROJAS; IS - CUBA -
HAITI; RA - HAITI; NM" requesting that information contained
in NY letter dated 5/6/65, be resubmitted in a form suitable
for dissemination.

An extra copy of the enclosed LHM has been submitted
to the Bureau for transmittal to Legat, Rio de Janeiro.

The NYO will continue to maintain contact with

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 - (1 - Legat, Rio de Janeiro)
- ① - 2-1622) (MASPERRER)
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- 1 - New York (105-38120) (MASPERRER)
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New York, New York

MAY 25, 1965

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Internal Security - Cuba

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Batista Conspiracy Plan

Rolando Masferrer Rojas, 42-26 81st Street, Elmhurst, Queens, New York, a former Cuban Senator, newspaper editor and leader of a private army in Cuba called "The Tigers", was interviewed on May 3, 1965, and during the interview he furnished the following information:

(b7c) [REDACTED]

Masferrer advised that he maintains regular contact with [REDACTED]

Masferrer advised that it has often been reported that if there was an election among the exiles for the establishment of a Cuban Government in Exile, the former followers of Batista would vote for Doctor Carlos Marquez Sterling. These rumors are known to Marquez Sterling, but Marquez Sterling has always stated Batista has never informed him of this, and Marquez Sterling does not know whether this is truth or rumor. U

Masferrer stated that he knows of no organization among the Batistanos other than the close unity which has existed among these people for many years. Masferrer stated that [REDACTED] has always been in close contact with U

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Batista Conspiracy Plans

Batista and just recently made a trip to Spain and Portugal to visit with Batista. Masferrer noted also that the best newspapers and best newspaper men among the Cuban exiles continue to receive financial support from Batista. Masferrer stated that he did not think that this interest on the part of Batista showed any desire to come back into power but merely to keep his name before the Cuban exiles and to act as a defense weapon for any articles which may be printed by anti-Batista forces in exile. Masferrer stated that he had been informed, although he does not know it to be a fact, that it costs Batista approximately \$38,000.00 a month for this newspaper publicity and that this money is paid in Miami through close friends of Batista's brother-in-law, Roberto Fernandez Miranda. U

Masferrer further stated on May 3, 1965, that if there was any organized military force among the Batistanos, it would be headed by former Admiral Rodriguez Calderon and former General Garcia Tunon. Masferrer said that Garcia Tunon has his position of importance among the former military because of his past close association with Batista elements. U

Masferrer advised that, in his opinion, the most talented and respected military man in exile is ex-Major Angel Sanchez Mosquera. Masferrer said that, in his opinion, Batista realizes how important Sanchez Mosquera is, and in order to neutralize his influence, he has placed Sanchez Mosquera on his payroll and has had him working with a construction company which is operated by Batista's brother-in-law, Roberto Fernandez Miranda. U

Masferrer also stated on May 3, 1965, that he maintains contacts with the former Batista people in order to keep abreast of developments, but he presently does not have any active part in any plans which the Batista element may have. Masferrer also stated that he has not been to Miami in the past several months and has no intention of going to Miami in the near future. Masferrer stated that he and his family U

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Batista Conspiracy Plans

have decided that this past winter was the last one which they would spend in New York as the climate was too severe for them and that he is contemplating moving to a warmer climate and had been considering the Dominican Republic prior to the present revolt there, and, in addition, will be in contact with "Tachito" Somoza when he next visits New York as Somoza once invited him to settle in Nicaragua. ()

Masferrer stated that he has, even to the present, maintained his interest in anti-Castro activities and still has available to him certain weapons but he has no plans to carry out any military activity and he can state categorically that there is no anti-Castro organization in exile that can bring about any military action in Cuba. Masferrer stated that, in his opinion, the only way that Castro can be overthrown is by an internal uprising and extensive aid and assistance from the United States Government. ()

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-55031)
SUBJECT: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
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(OO: NY)

Enclosed are 14 copies of an LHM setting forth information pertaining to above captioned subject matter.

An extra copy is enclosed for dissemination to Legat, Santo Domingo.

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A copy of the LHM is being disseminated locally to U.S. Customs.

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 1-28-66

FROM : Mr. W. R. Wannall *Wannall*

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Liaison (Mr. Papich)
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Solomon

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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Memorandum Wannall to Sullivan
Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
2-1622

ACTION:

(1) If you approve, attached letter will be sent [REDACTED] *referred*

(2) If approved, attached airtel will be sent to Miami and New York with appropriate instructions to contact Customs and interview subject as outlined above.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-95677)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-55031) (P)
SUBJECT: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
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DATE OF REVIEW 11/1/86

Re NY teletype 1/27/66.

Enclosed herewith to the Bureau are 22 copies of an
LHM and informant evaluation memo, dated and captioned as above.
Two extra copies are furnished to the Bureau, one to be fur-
nished to Legat, Santo Domingo, and one copy designated for the
file of ROLANDO MASFERRER. Information copies are also desig-
nated for Miami and San Juan in view of their continuing inves-
tigative interest.

On 1/27/66, JAMES FLYNN, US Customs, NYC, advised
that no current investigation is being conducted regarding acti-
vities of ROLANDO MASFERRER. However, he is aware that US
Customs, Miami, is conducting such investigation.

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5-Bureau (Encls. 22) (RM)
(1- 2-1622) (MASFERRER)
(1- Legat, Santo Domingo)
2-Miami (105-1597) (INFO) (RM)
(1- 2-156) (MASFERRER)
1-San Juan (105-5928) (INFO) (RM)
1-New York (105-38120) (MASFERRER)
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AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. Will maintain contact with logical established sources and any pertinent information developed will be furnished to the Bureau and interested offices.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New York, New York
January 31, 1966

Haitian Revolutionary Activities
Internal Security - Haiti

(b7d) [REDACTED] stated that there were many rumors in Miami about Rolando Masferrer together with Cuban and Haitian exiles invading Haiti in the immediate future. [REDACTED] that Antonio Questa del Valle of the exile Cuban organization, Comandos L, was involved in these discussions in Miami. [REDACTED] it was his personal opinion that Questa would not assist Masferrer in this invasion of Haiti.

[REDACTED] stated that Rolando Masferrer has been very active in recent weeks with Haitian exile groups and that they are serious about doing something positive in Haiti to overthrow the government of Haiti. [REDACTED] stated that Masferrer had been to Miami during the early part of January, 1966, concerning plans for an invasion of Haiti. Masferrer spent about one week in Miami making arrangements and he has as military advisor a former German colonel, name not known, who had spent time in the Dominican Republic. [REDACTED] advised it was his opinion that these plans are all in the formative stages.

Several confidential sources and informants who are familiar with Cuban and Haitian matters in the New York City area could furnish no pertinent information concerning the activities of Rolando Masferrer.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New York, New York
January 31, 1966

Title Haitian Revolutionary Activities

Character Internal Security - Haiti

Reference is made to the communication
dated and captioned as above, at New York, New York.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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Callahan	✓
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Gale	✓
Rosen	✓
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Tele. Room	✓
Holmes	✓
Gandy	✓

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: March 31, 1966

FROM : W. R. Wannall

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Solomon

SUBJECT: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - HAITI
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI

Francois Duvalier, "President for Life" of Haiti who rules that country as a ruthless dictator, is reported to have issued a decree that all persons returning to Haiti from Nassau, Bahamas, are to be executed. Duvalier is convinced that the greatest current threat to his continuation in power is a group of Haitian exiles in Nassau allegedly being organized for an invasion of Haiti. It is reported that executions have taken place under this order in northern Haiti seacoast cities. This is only the latest example of the brutal repressive measures carried out by Duvalier in recent years.

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[REDACTED] In early March, 1966, Duvalier issued an order that any and all persons returning to Haiti from Nassau were to be executed. The order was being carried out by Duvalier's private army of thugs, the Ton Ton Macoutes, rather than the Haitian Army since Duvalier does not trust the Army to carry out the job. [REDACTED] persons have been executed under this order at Cap-Haitien and Port-de-Paix, seaports on Haiti's north coast.

Reason for the order is stated to be Duvalier's fear of "infiltrators" coming into Haiti from Nassau. Duvalier is known to be greatly concerned over the plotting of Henry Vixama and Rolando Masferrer Rojas. Vixama, subject of current Bureau investigation is Haitian exile and former advisor to the President of Chad, Africa, who attempted to mount an exile invasion of Haiti from Miami, Florida, in December, 1965. Department is currently considering prosecution of Vixama under neutrality statutes because of this December, 1965, attempt. Masferrer, notorious Cuban exile, is actively under investigation by Bureau of Customs with regard to his current efforts to mount Haitian invasion in concert with Vixama and other Haitian exile leaders. We are following closely with Customs and furnishing Customs pertinent

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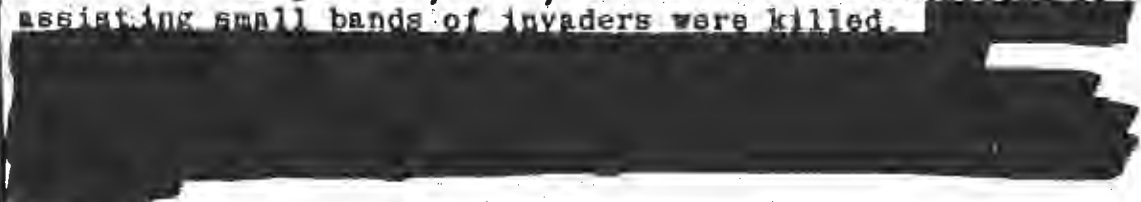
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Memorandum to W. C. Sullivan from W. R. Wannall
RE: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - HAITI
109-12-217

information from Bureau sources. Vixama visited Nassau in February, 1966, for the alleged purpose of attempting to organize Haitian exiles there for anti-Duvalier action.

This action by Duvalier is the latest in a series of such brutalities. In 1963 there was a Duvalier-ordered roundup, detention and execution of Haitian Army officers and others suspected of disloyalty to the regime. In September, 1964, entire families suspected of assisting small bands of invaders were killed.

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ACTION:

None. For information. The agencies furnishing us with the information summarized above also gave it wide dissemination to other interested Government agencies.

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[Signature]

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(LA) 2-1622

BY LIAISON

Date: January 31, 1966

To: Director
Central Intelligence Agency

Attention: Deputy Director, Plans

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: BOLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Liaison (Papich)
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Solomon

Contacts with the captioned individual by personnel of this Bureau in the past have been of an investigative nature only relating to matters within the jurisdiction of this Bureau.

At no time has Masferrer been given advice, counsel or direction concerning his involvement in Cuban or Haitian activities by Federal Bureau of Investigation personnel. At no time during our contacts with him have we approved or sanctioned any of his activities.

1 - 105-85677 (Haitian Revolutionary Activities)

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NOTE:

See cover memorandum Wannall to Sullivan, same caption, dated 1-28-66, prepared by [redacted] mar (b7c)

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Date: 2/1/66

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Via AIRTEL _____

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-HAITI-CUBA
RA-HAITI-CUBA
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(OO: NY)
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Letter
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Re Miami airtel to Bureau 1/19/66, captioned as above, and NY airtel and LHM to Bureau dated 1/31/66, captioned "HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES."

Referenced Miami airtel sets forth lead for NY to determine whether MASFERRER has returned to NY.

NY will remain alert, through its sources, to information indicating any new activities on the part of MASFERRER.

3-Bureau (RM)
2-Miami (2-156) (RM)
1-New York

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Special Agent in Charge

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FBI

Date: 2/4/66

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TO: Director, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, Miami (2-156) (P)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

IS - HAITI

RA - HAITI - CUBA

NM

(OO: New York)

ReBuairtel 1/31/66.

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On 2/3/66, U.S. Customs, Miami, was advised that MASFERRER would be interviewed and that Customs was being notified concerning this contemplated contact in view of the jurisdiction of Customs in investigation of subject's activities.

WALLACE D. SHANLEY, Assistant Customs Agent in Charge (Enforcement), advised interview of MASFERRER by FBI would in no way jeopardize Customs investigation which is still in process. He stated, however, that the current whereabouts of subject is not known to Customs, Miami, although they presume he has returned to New York City.

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Accordingly, it is suggested that New York attempt to locate and interview subject per instructions in ReBuairtel.

3 - Bureau (RM)
 2 - New York (105-38120) (RM)

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Date: 2/7/66

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(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-HAITI
RA-HAITI-CUBA
NM

ReBuairtel 1/31/66 and Miami airtel, 2/4/66, both captioned as above,

(b7c) ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS was interviewed in the NYO on 2/7/66 by SAS [redacted] and [redacted] relative to instructions contained in referenced Buairtel dated 1/31/66. MASFERRER advised that he has never, on any occasion, told anyone that his activities met with the approval of the FBI. MASFERRER has stated that if this information has been reported back to the Bureau, it is in error, as he has never in his contacts with exiles, either Cuban or Haitian, given any statement indicating that the Bureau approved of his activities.

MASFERRER stated during interview that he would be extremely careful in anything he said to exiles and would guard against giving any indication that the Bureau was in approval of his activities. MASFERRER pointed out, however, that he cannot guarantee that the Cuban exiles might not interpret some of his remarks and report back that his activities met with the approval of U.S. Government officials. MASFERRER further noted that Cuban exiles are notorious for reporting misinformation and half truths.

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During interview with MASFERRER on 2/7/66, he stated he was still active in Haitian revolutionary activities, and that he continued close relationship with HENRY VIXAMA and continues his personal relationship with Father JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES. MASFERRER stated that the decision to carry out an invasion of Haiti depends solely upon HENRY VIXAMA and whether or not he has the necessary funds. MASFERRER stated that he has been meeting almost daily with VIXAMA and has informed VIXAMA that the decision to invade or not must be made by VIXAMA within the next few days or people would lose confidence in him and in his plans to overthrow the Government of Haiti.

MASFERRER identified Colonel VLADIMIR SECEN as the military chief of the invasion force, and stated that Colonel SECEN was completely acceptable to VIXAMA. MASFERRER advised that Father GEORGES and HENRY VIXAMA do not see eye to eye politically and, in fact, very seldom speak to one another. MASFERRER stated that from the standpoint of finances, he is in support of VIXAMA, but politically he is in sympathy with Father GEORGES.

MASFERRER stated that the invasion force would total approximately 390, and that these men would be mostly Cuban exiles, and that HENRY VIXAMA has insisted that the entire invasion force be composed of Cubans. MASFERRER said that he was opposed to this idea of VIXAMA of having the force made up of entirely Cubans, but that if VIXAMA had the money to finance the invasion, then he would go along with that idea. MASFERRER stated that the major portion of the invasion force would come from exiles in the Miami area, but that there were some who would join from the New York area. MASFERRER stated that everything is at a standstill at the present time awaiting the decision of VIXAMA as to whether or not he will go through with the plans for the invasion of Haiti.

The above information furnished by MASFERRER on 2/7/66 will be submitted in a form suitable for dissemination.

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1 - Mr. Solomon

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To: SAC, Miami (105-1500) (Enclosure - 2)
New York (105-55021) (Enclosures - 2)
San Juan (Enclosures - 2)

From: Director, FBI (105-55077)

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
IS - HAITI

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REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2 2, 3
DATE OF REVIEW 2-9-86

Re Miami Airtel 2-2-66.

Department of State is being advised by separate letter
that Bureau has no investigative jurisdiction in investigations of
individuals involved in the alleged bootlegging invasion with the
exception of Henri Vixmar. Department of State is being additionally
advised that this matter is within primary jurisdiction of U. S.
Bureau of Customs. State Department has advised that copies of
enclosed telegram are being furnished INS and U. S. Customs Service.

1 - WFO (Enclosure)

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- 1 - 105-145464 (Maximilien)
- 1 - 105-183501 (Georges)
- 1 - 105-183502 (Rodrigal)
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- 1 - Mr. F. Leach
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- 1 - Mr. W.C. Sullivan
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. W.R. Vannall

February 9, 1966

Mr. W.C. Sullivan

- 1 - Mr. Solomon

Mr. W.R. Vannall

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI

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Memorandum W.R. Wannall to W.C. Sullivan
RE: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
105-95677

[REDACTED]

By letter to Department of State with copies to Customs and other interested agencies, we have advised of Customs' jurisdiction in the Masferrer matter and of our current investigation of Vixamar. State Department, Customs, Immigration and Naturalization Service, and military agencies have been receiving copies of our reports concerning Vixamar. Miami, New York, and San Juan Offices have been instructed to follow situation closely through sources and informants and to keep Bureau apprised of all developments. Pertinent data we develop is being promptly disseminated.

ACTION:

None. For information.

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Airtel

1 - Mr. Salomon

To: SAC, Miami (2-156)

From: Director, FBI (2-1022)

BOLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRE ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA
RA - HAITI - CUBA
RM

ReNYairtel and LHM 2-9-66.

You advised Bureau 1-19-66 that Bureau of Customs, Miami, is actively investigating current preparations of subject and his associates to mount invasion of Haiti.

Insure that Customs, Miami, receives copy of referenced LHM and of each such document prepared for dissemination in this matter.

1 - 105-95677

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an LHM setting forth information concerning the above-captioned
subject.

It is the opinion of the interviewing Agents that
MASFERRER is involved in this Haitian revolutionary plot for
what he can get out of it for himself, i.e., either money
from VIXAMA or equipment from among the Cuban exiles in the

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Miami area. It should also be noted that MASFERRER, over the last couple of years, has changed somewhat and is not as aggressive as he once was and is more cautious and careful than he was before. MASFERRER does a lot of talking but not too much action. The NYO believes that MASFERRER will become involved in this whole situation in an active way if he sees a definite advantage for himself in becoming so involved.

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As the Bureau is well aware of the background and reputation of MASFERRER, although he has been cautioned not to in any way advise associates that he has been in contact with the FBI, it is very difficult to guarantee that any contact that the NYO has with MASFERRER will be held in confidence by MASFERRER.

In view of the active interest of US Customs, Miami, in the activities of MASFERRER, no active investigation will be conducted by the NYO, but the NYO will remain alert for any developments in this matter. In the event MASFERRER voluntary contacts the NYO, any information furnished by him will be furnished immediately to the Bureau and interested Offices.

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Rolando Masferrer Rojas was interviewed at his office
at 701 Seventh Avenue, New York, New York, on December 27, 1965,

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Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas

concerning another matter. During the interview with Masferrer on December 27, 1965, Masferrer had stated that he had, in the past, offered support to Father Jean Baptiste Georges, a Haitian exile Roman Catholic priest and to Father Diego Madrigal Alvarez, a Cuban exile Roman Catholic priest, for their plans to overthrow the Haitian Government of Francois Duvalier. *Haiti Cuba* Masferrer stated that his offer of support to Father Georges and Father Madrigal was in the form of equipment and men and that the total manpower would be about 300.

Masferrer stated that the 300 individuals offered to the Haitians were Cuban exiles from the New York area and the Miami area who are anxious to carry out some military activity in an effort to obtain a base in Haiti or off the coast of Haiti from which they could operate against Cuba.

Masferrer on December 27, 1965, pointed out that his offer of support was nothing more than a promise on his part and it was dependent upon Father Georges receiving official approval to carry out this invasion from United States authorities. Masferrer said that he told Father Georges that he was acting very foolishly and unrealistically if he attempted to carry out any revolutionary activities against Haiti without first obtaining approval of the proper United States authorities.

and Masferrer also noted on December 27, 1965, that he specifically informed Fathers Georges and Madrigal that his name, Masferrer, was not an acceptable name to United States authorities and in particular he was unacceptable to the United States Department of State. Masferrer stated that he told Fathers Georges and Madrigal that any help which he could offer would have to be done very quietly without his, Masferrer's, name ever being mentioned.

Masferrer also advised during this interview that he had then had two meetings with Henry Vixama who had identified himself to Masferrer as a Haitian exile who had spent several years in Africa and had been the personal representative of and counselor to the President of Chad. Masferrer said that Vixama appears to have financial means at his disposal but he was not sure as to what amount of money Vixama was willing to give to the Haitian invasion. Masferrer said that he had his

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own personal reservations concerning Vixama and believed Vixama to be an individual concerned only with his own interests and a man who has plans to become president of Haiti. Masferrer said that he had tried to question Vixama as to the source of his finances but Vixama declined to elaborate either on the source of his money or the amount of money at his disposal.

Masferrer pointed out that Vixama and Father Georges have had a couple of meetings but it was quite apparent during these meetings that both Father Georges and Vixama were not individuals who could get along with each other as both have ideas of grandeur and designs on becoming the next president of Haiti.

Masferrer stated on December 27, 1965, that in order to see whether or not Father Georges and Vixama have any possibility of carrying out a successful invasion of Haiti, he has invited Vladimir Secen of Miami, Florida, to New York to meet with both Vixama and Father Georges. Masferrer stated that Colonel Secen had been a colonel in the German army during World War II and had then gone to the Dominican Republic where he became a colonel in the Dominican army. Masferrer stated that he has known Colonel Secen from the Miami area where Secen is now living as a Dominican exile since Secen is a naturalized Dominican citizen.

Rolando Masferrer appeared at the New York Office on February 7, 1966, and during the course of interview, Masferrer furnished the following information concerning details of the planned invasion of Haiti:

Masferrer advised that the decision to invade Haiti must be made within the next several days by Henry Vixama because Vixama is the individual who has the necessary money to finance such an operation. Masferrer said that it is being assumed by all concerned that Vixama has at his disposal approximately \$150,000.00. Masferrer stated that he has never had an exact figure mentioned to him by Vixama and has not seen this type of money and stated that thus far Vixama for incidental expenses has expended about \$1,000.00

Masferrer stated that he is active in the planning of the invasion of Haiti as he believes that this is the opportune

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time to overthrow Francois Duvalier, and that he has been working closely with Father Jean Baptiste Georges, Father Diego Madrigal, and Henry Vixama. Masferrer stated that he continues to meet on almost a daily basis with Vixama and is with Vixama because Vixama has money although he prefers to be with Father Jean Baptiste Georges because he is in agreement with the political ideas of Father Georges rather than Vixama. Masferrer stated that Father Georges has the sympathy and the support of the Haitian military and the Haitian people but Father Georges does not have any money with which to carry out a successful invasion of Haiti.

Haiti Masferrer stated that General Leon Cantave, Daniel Fignole, and former president Paul Magloire, Haitian exile leaders, were in no way involved in these invasion plans. Masferrer stated that the whole idea of the Haitian invasion was formulated by Father Jean Baptiste Georges and that Henry Vixama had come into the picture around October, 1965, with the offer to finance this invasion. Masferrer stated that on December 27, 1965, he had invited Colonel Vladimir Secen to New York to meet with Father Georges and Vixama in order to assess the military potential for a successful invasion of Haiti. Masferrer stated that Colonel Secen is the military chief of the invasion force and that he, Masferrer, is cooperating with all involved by offering equipment and men.

Masferrer stated that Henry Vixama prefers not to have Father Georges with him and wants the invasion force composed entirely of Cuban exiles. Masferrer stated that he disagrees with this idea of Vixama as he feels there should be Haitian exiles in the invasion but since Vixama has the necessary funds he will go along with Vixama's desire.

referred Masferrer stated that he has made contacts in Miami, Florida, among the Cuban exiles residing in that area and has been successful in obtaining promises from various exile organizations to supply the necessary manpower which he would estimate to be 300 men. Masferrer stated that most of the individuals involved in the plans to invade Haiti are men who have had previous training [redacted] and specifically he referred to the men who had participated in the invasion of Cuba in April, 1961, at Playa Giron and also men who had been given

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military training in the United States Army at Fort Jackson, South Carolina.

Masferrer stated that among the prominent Cuban exiles involved in the invasion of Haiti, the following are the most important:

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Doctor Orlando Bosch of MIBR, Tony Cuesta of Comandos L, Luis Sierra, [redacted] Jose Peruyero, representative of the Brigade 2506, pilot Cantillo, son of former Cuban General Eulogio Cantillo who is now confined in prison in Cuba, former Lieutenant Medina, Nazim Elias, Aton Constanza, Zacarias Acosta of the LPN, Santiago Alvarez, former Cuban senator, Cornelio Rojas, Prats Imperatori, Alfredo Arias, Waldo Carmona of Brigade 2506, Quino Carvajal, Juan J. Mas Sarda, former skeet champion in Cuba, the Christian Democrats, members of the former constitutional army of Cuba, Vladimir Secen, Facundo Hernandez, Mendez Gomez, and former Lieutenant Hernandez who formerly represented Manuel Artime, a Cuban exile leader who was in the favor of the United States Government.

Masferrer stated that in order to make the invasion a success it would be necessary to have 300 men, 3 planes, 6 boats, twelve .50 caliber machine guns, twenty .30 caliber machine guns, four 81 millimeter mortars, eight 60 millimeter mortars, four 57 millimeter recoilless rifles, four 4.5 rocket launchers, 1,000 Mark 2 hand grenades, communications and medical equipment. Masferrer on February 7, 1966, declined to advise whether or not the individuals concerned with the invasion actually had the above equipment or were in the process of assembling this equipment. Masferrer stated that with all the equipment lying around the Miami area among the Cuban exiles it would not be very difficult to assemble the needed material but he again declined to state whether or not they already possessed this material.

Masferrer on February 7, 1966, advised that he would be meeting that day with Henry Vixama and would impress upon Vixama that it was of absolute necessity that Vixama make the decision within the next three days to either invade or not invade Haiti because if it is put off any longer, those involved and those willing to go on the invasion would lose faith in

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Vixama. Masferrer said that in the event Vixama makes the decision to invade Haiti that he, Masferrer, would go on the invasion as he had an ulterior motive and that was to establish a base of operation in Haiti from which activity could be carried out against Cuba particularly in Oriente Province.

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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
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The Bureau of Customs, Department of the Treasury,
has informed the FBI that an alleged attempt to invade Haiti,
under the leadership of Rolando Masferrer Rojas, is under
current active investigation by that Bureau. The FBI has
initiated no investigation with regard to Masferrer and his
current activities in view of the fact that the Bureau of
Customs has assumed primary investigative jurisdiction in
this matter.

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NOTE: Masferrer is notorious ex-Cuban senator living in exile in
New York City, long active in Haitian revolutionary efforts. He
is currently under investigation by Bureau of Customs with regard
to his preparations to mount an invasion of Haiti from Miami
scheduled to take place between February 10 and 20, 1966. Bureau
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(b7c) On 2/14/66, [REDACTED] U. S. Customs Agent, Miami, Fla., was orally furnished information set out in LHM. As the Bureau is aware, U. S. Customs is conducting an active investigation of the subject's activities.

NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK CITY

Will determine if the subject has left the New York area.

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLA.

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RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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February 15, 1966

Title ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
 REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA
Reference NEUTRALITY MATTERS
 Memorandum, dated and captioned
 as above, at Miami, Florida.

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are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
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1 - Mr. Solomon

To: SAC, Miami (105-1884)

From: Director, FBI (105-95377)

INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES
IS - Miami

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To: SAC, Miami (105-1597)

From: Director, FBI (105-83677)

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
IS - HAITI

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1 - 2-1622 (Masferrer)

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Via AIRTEL

REGISTERED MAIL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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OO: New York

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Re Miami airtel 2/15/66. DATE OF REVIEW 2/15/81

Enclosed for the Bureau are 12 copies of LHM concerning activities of subject. Copies also furnished for info of New York, Newark and San Juan in view of their interest. Copies disseminated locally to INS, ONI, State Dept. Coordinator of Cuban Affairs, Border Patrol, Coast Guard, Customs (3), G-2, USA, FAD and FAA.

All information contained in this LHM has previously been furnished orally as received to U.S. Customs, Miami, in view of their continuing investigation of this matter.

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5 - Bureau (Enc. 5) (RM)

(1 - 105-95677)

(1 - 105-145165)

4 - New York (Enc. 4) (105-38120)

(1 - 105-55031) (1 - 105-77178)

(1 - 105-69212) (RM)

2 - Savannah (Enc. 2) (RM)

2 - Newark (Enc. 1) (RM)

5 - Miami

(1 - 105-1597-HRA)

(1 - 105-7151-ATON)

(1 - 105-1742-ANTI-CASTRO ACT)

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Approved: 7. A. Frohman

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Miami will continue to maintain contact with appropriate sources and disseminate pertinent information as received.

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Miami, Florida
February 19, 1966

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RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

FIA

U.S.A.

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[REDACTED]

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(b)(7)(D)

[REDACTED] advised

that MASFERRER had returned to Miami and called a meeting
at the home of Julio Anton Constanza, on February 15, 1966.

(b)(7)(D)

[REDACTED]

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Miami, Florida
February 19, 1966

Title	ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA NEUTRALITY MATTERS
Reference	is made to memorandum dated and captioned as above.

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Date: 2/4/66

Transmit the following in _____

Via AIRTEL _____

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-145165)
 FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-77178)(P)
 SUBJECT: HENRY VIXAMA aka;
 Et Al
 IS-HAITI -CUBA
 NEUTRALITY MATTERS BY CONSPIRACY
 (OO: MIAMI)

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ReNYtel, 2/3/66.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 12 copies of
 an LHM and 12 copies of informant evaluation memo, dated
 and captioned as above.

- (12) - BUREAU (105-145165)(Encls. 24)(RM)
 2 - CHICAGO (105-new)(Encls. 4)(RM)
 2 - MIAMI (105-10755)(Encls. 30)(RM)
 2 - NEWARK (105-19576)(Encls. 4)(RM)
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 1 - WASHINGTON FIELD (105-69381)(Encls. 2)(INFO)(RM)

- (b7c) [REDACTED]
 1 - NY 105-56086 (LYDERIC BONAVENTURE)
 1 - NY 105-38120 (ROLANDO MASFERRER)
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Special Agent in
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In view of the information contained in the attached LHM, Bureau is requested, through liaison, [REDACTED]

One copy of the LHM is designated to USA, SDNY, and one copy for USA, Miami, however, these copies should be retained in respective offices until such time as prosecution is authorized in this case.

Copies are also being designated for INS, NYC, and US Customs, NYC.

Enclosed for Miami are copies for the following agencies:

(referred)
ONI, 6th ND, Charleston, SC
OSI, 6th OSI District, Robins AFB, Va.
AG of S, G-2 Hq., 3rd Army, Fort Mc Pherson, Va.
Department of State, Cuban Affairs, Miami
[REDACTED]

US Coast Guard, Miami
US Customs, Miami
US Customs, Region II, Miami
US Customs, Key West
US Border Patrol, Miami
INS, Miami
ATTU, Miami
USA FAD, OJUS, Florida
USA, Miami - See Administrative
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INFORMANTS

(1-1) [REDACTED]

LEADS

CHICAGO

At Chicago, Ill.

Will report results of investigation requested in re NYtel.
Bureau has requested 12 copies to be furnished in a form
suitable for dissemination.

MIAMI

At Miami, Fla.

infund [REDACTED] *c*

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LEADS (CONT'D)

Will determine if weapons seized by Hialeah PD, 12/21/65, are still in their possession, and if not, attempt to identify individuals who have possession and their location.

NEWARK

At Newark, NJ

Will attempt to identify and locate [REDACTED]

(b7c) NEW YORK

At New York, NY

(b7c) Will report results of scheduled meeting between subject and [REDACTED] on 2/4/66.

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The attached LHM is classified "Confidential" in order to further protect the informants of continuing value to the Bureau. Unauthorized disclosure of their identity would be detrimental to the best interests of the US.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New York, New York
February 4, 1966

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Re: Henry Vixama
Also Known As;
Et Al
Internal Security - Haiti - Cuba
Neutrality Matters - Conspiracy

(b-1) [REDACTED]

(b-1) (b-7C) (b-7D) [REDACTED]

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Re: Henry Vixama
Also Known As;
Et Al

(b7c) On February 2, 1966, records of Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), New York City, as caused to be checked by Special Agent [REDACTED] revealed that passenger arrival manifests of international flights to New York City for January 23-29, 1966, were not available for review.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(b7c)
(b7d) [REDACTED]

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Re: Henry Vixama
Also Known As;
Et Al

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[REDACTED]

On February 3, 1966, records of INS, New York City, as caused to be checked by Special Agent [REDACTED] reflected no information identifiable with Marie Claude Vixama, nee Augustin, (b-1)

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[REDACTED]

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Re: Henry Vixama
Also Known As;
Et Al

[REDACTED] Masferrer has stated that Colonel Mariano Faget, former member of the Cuban Military under ex-President Fulgencio Batista, was working with them on the Haitian invasion [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Masferrer is alleged to have weapons hidden in New Jersey near the Delaware Watergap, [REDACTED]

(b7c)
(b7d)

[REDACTED] learned that Vixama was alleged to have been an instructor for the sons of the President of Chad, that he had travelled widely in Africa, and Asia, and he is reported by the Cubans, to have hundreds of thousands of dollars.

[REDACTED]
the MDC is supposed to be pledged to Vixama and his Haitian invasion, by MDC people in Miami. [REDACTED]

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Re: Henry Vixama
Also Known As;
Et Al

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] that Vixama is presently in New York City.
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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(b7d)
[REDACTED] never identified any of the people he spoke with in Washington. (

[REDACTED] Vixama recently had weapons returned to him in Florida. [REDACTED] over a month ago weapons and ammunition were seized by police in Miami. These weapons belonged to Vixama and about ten days ago these weapons were returned to the Cubans associated with Vixama in Miami. [REDACTED] those involved in the invasion believe that this action is another sign their activities met with the approval of United States authorities.

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New York, New York
February 4, 1966

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Character	Internal Security - Haiti - Cuba Neutrality Matters - Conspiracy
Reference	Letter at New York, " dated and captioned as above

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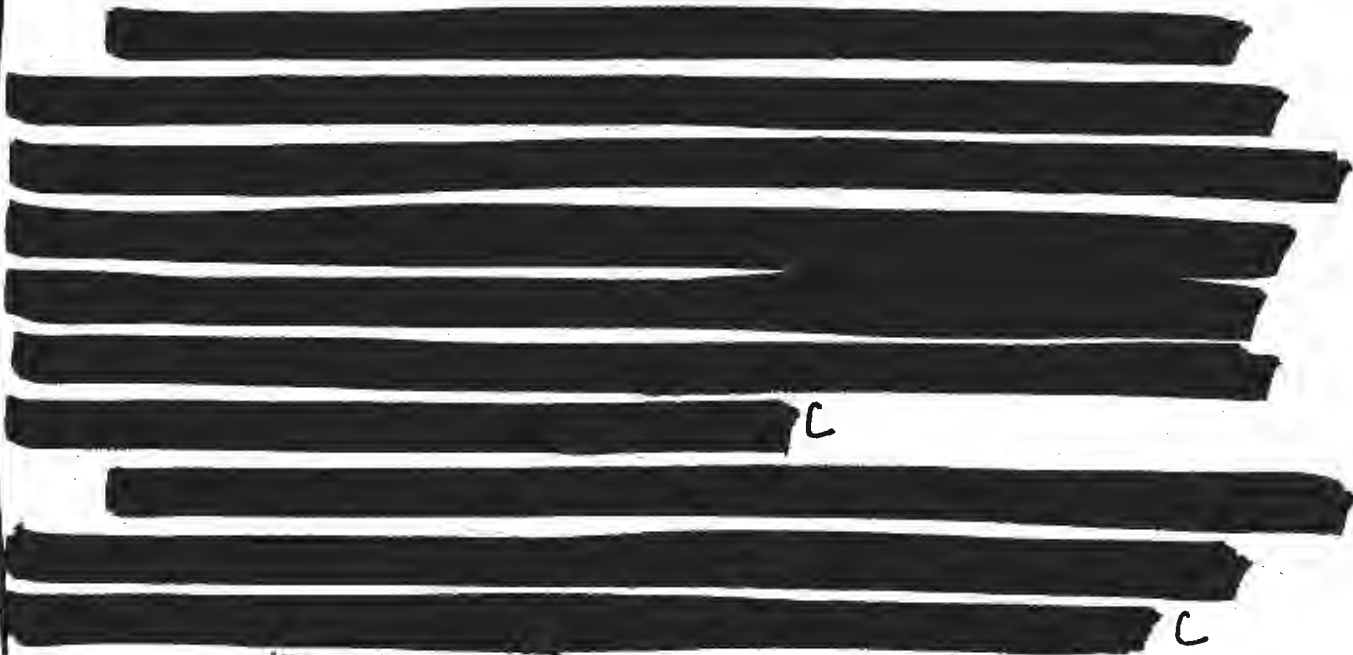
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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 2/14/66

Rolando Masferrer Rojas is a former Cuban Senator from the time of the Batista regime. He is reportedly heading a Haitian invasion attempt, which he says will involve some 300 Cubans.

The Customs Bureau has Masferrer and his co-conspirators under current active investigation and we are maintaining close liaison with Customs. We are keeping the Department advised of all developments in the matter.

We are not conducting active investigation in this case.

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Via AIRTEL _____

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-145165)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-77178)(P)
SUBJECT: HENRY VIXAMA aka;
Et Al
IS-HAITI-CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS - CONSPIRACY
(OO:MM)

Re Miami airtel 11/18/65, Bureau airtel 11/26/65,
Miami airtel 12/8/65, WFO airtel 12/23/65, NY airtel and LHM,
2/4/66, Bureau teletype 2/20/66.

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1-New York (105-71357)(FATHER DIEGO MADRIGAL)
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Enclosed for the Bureau are 12 copies of an LHM, dated and captioned as above.

One copy of the LHM is designated to USA, SDNY, and one copy for USA, Miami, to be retained in respective offices until such time as prosecution in this matter may be authorized. Copies are also being designated for INS, NYC, and US Customs, NYC. Enclosed for Miami are copies for the following agencies:

ONI, 6th ND, Charleston, SC
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ACofS, G-2 Hq., 3rd Army, Fort Monrison, Va.
Department of State, Cuban Affairs, Miami

(*referred*)
US Coast Guard, Miami
US Customs, Miami
US Customs, Region II, Miami
US Customs, Key West
US Border Patrol, Miami
INS, Miami
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USA FAD, OJUS, Florida
USA, Miami - (See above)

referred Referenced communications concern allegations that VIXAMA has been in touch with representatives of the US Department of State [redacted] and that his activities to overthrow the government of President FRANCOIS DUVALIER of Haiti are approved of by very important people in Washington.

The information contained in the attached LHM further supports the above and is submitted herewith for information.

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Report of: [REDACTED] *(b7c)*
Date: FEB 14 1960

Office: Miami, Florida

Field Office File #: 105-9215

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Title: FATHER JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI
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Synopsis:

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February 10, 1966

Date

SANTIAGO ALVAREZ was interviewed at his residence, 541 N. W. 45th Avenue.

(b7c) He was advised by Special Agent [REDACTED] that he did not have to make any statements and any statements he made could be used against him in a court of law. He was advised that he had the right to consult an attorney. Mr. ALVAREZ stated he would be glad to answer any question whatsoever regarding his activities. ALVAREZ stated he is a medical doctor and is presently engaged in extensive study in an effort to pass the Florida State Medical Examinations in order that he may achieve a physician status in Florida.

Some time in the middle of November, Father DIEGO MADRIGAL, a Cuban priest whom ALVAREZ knew slightly in Cuba, came to his residence in company with Father JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES, a Haitian priest whom ALVAREZ had not previously met. MADRIGAL stated that Father GEORGES was active in seeking the overthrow of the dictator of Haiti, DUVALIER. Both Fathers MADRIGAL and GEORGES stated they were looking for assistance from Cuban refugees in Miami who had been active in anti-CASTRO activities. They asked for ALVAREZ' help in this regard and also asked if he knew where a boat could be obtained.

ALVAREZ stated he was not interested in the problems of these men and added, in his opinion, the Cuban problem is in no way related to the Haitian problem. He, therefore told the priests that he could offer them no assistance and could not help them to obtain a boat because, as a matter of fact, he had no access to boats. He understood both Fathers MADRIGAL and GEORGES returned to New York, and he has not heard from them since.

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On 2/3/66 at Miami, Florida File # Miami 105-9215
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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General

February 26, 1966

Director, FBI

1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Solomon

FATHER JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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Reference is made to this Bureau's letter under the caption "Haitian Revolutionary Activities, Internal Security - Haiti; Registration Act - Haiti" dated December 13, 1965. That letter and its enclosure set forth information relative to the alleged plans and preparations of the subject to mount an exile invasion of Haiti from the United States. You were advised that the FBI was initiating investigation to determine whether these allegations could be substantiated, looking toward possible prosecution for violation of Federal statutes relative to neutrality matters.

(b7c) Investigative reports and memoranda setting forth the results of FBI investigation in that matter have been furnished to you on a regular basis. The original allegations have not been substantiated by our investigation. With the submission to you on February 24, 1966, of a copy of the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated February 14, 1966, at Miami, Florida, in captioned matter, our investigation into this phase of the activities of Father Georges is completed.

For your information the Bureau of Customs has advised us that it has a current interest in the activities of Father Georges. You may desire to communicate directly with the Bureau of Customs in order to secure the results of its investigation concerning him.

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Assistant Attorney General

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NOTE FOR SACs, MIAMI AND NEW YORK:

(b7C)

Miami is instructed to contact [REDACTED] Region II, Customs, Miami, and inform him that our inquiry concerning Father Georges has been completed and any investigation Customs may desire to conduct concerning Georges will not conflict with this Bureau's interest at this time. Request Customs locally to furnish your office with the results of its investigation of Father Georges.

New York is instructed to place this case in a closed status. All pertinent data you receive in the future concerning subject's activities is to be immediately furnished to the Miami office in form suitable for dissemination so that it can be given promptly to Region II, Customs and to the Bureau for dissemination to Customs at headquarters level.

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL - REGISTERED
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-95677)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (105-1597) (P)

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Inasmuch as the ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS case
is under active investigation by U. S. Customs, UACB,
Miami will not interview SECEN in this matter.

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1 - Mr. Solomon

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To: SAC, Miami (105-1507)
From: Director, FBI (105-95677)
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To: Director
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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

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Central Intelligence Agency
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- 1 - Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
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- 1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
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NOTE:

NY LHM 2-4-66, disseminated to addressee agencies including CIA, contains information to effect Rolando Masferrer, currently active in attempting to organize invasion of Haiti.

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1 - Mr. Solomon

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To: SAC, Miami (105-10785) 2-1622-

From: Director, FBI (105-145165)

Subject: HENRY VIKAMA
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By Liaison

March 17, 1966

Honorable Marvin Watson
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Patterson
1 - Mr. Solomon

Mar 17 9 11 AM '66
ATTN: READING ROOM

Dear Mr. Watson:

We are in receipt of the following information
which may be of interest to the President.

Rolando Armas Masferrer Rojas, exiled former Cuban Senator, is the subject of current investigation by the Bureau of Customs, Department of the Treasury, on the basis of allegations he is attempting to organize an invasion of Haiti to overthrow the present government. Masferrer has long been active in anti-Castro Cuban activities in this country and claims he wishes to establish military bases in Haiti from which his forces can move against Cuba. He has an unsavory reputation and responsible Cuban and Haitian exiles distrust him. In the course of Masferrer's current efforts, he has recruited one Julie Aton Constanze Palau, a Cuban exile living in Miami. Constanze has been described as unreliable and irresponsible. FBI investigation has determined that in recent years Constanze has been involved in plots against the Governments of Cuba, Haiti, and Guatemala.

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WCS*

DATE: March 16, 1966

FROM : Mr. W. R. Wannall *WRW*

1 - Mr. Patterson
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SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
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We are currently investigating Constanzo on basis of information he attempted to recruit Cuban exiles to serve in the forces of General Antonio Imbert Barrera, head of the civilian-military junta during the 1965 Dominican rebellion. Investigation has determined Constanzo to be completely unreliable and irresponsible. In recent years, he has been deeply involved in repeated abortive exile efforts to invade Cuba, Haiti, and Guatemala.

Masferrer is subject of current investigation by Bureau of Customs on basis of his present efforts to organize armed invasion to overthrow Government of Haiti to be carried out by Cuban exiles. Constanzo is deeply involved in this latest venture of Masferrer. Masferrer, long involved in attempting to organize such invasions, has been subject of extensive FBI investigation in past. He has unsavory reputation and is considered completely unreliable by responsible Cuban and Haitian exiles who want nothing to do with him. In efforts to recruit exile personnel for his current venture, Masferrer has falsely claimed United States Government concurrence and support. We are not investigating Masferrer due to Customs' current active interest in him.

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Memorandum W. R. Wannall to W. C. Sullivan, 3/15/66
Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
Bureau file 2-1622

Details of Constanzo's involvement in the current activities of Masferrer as developed by FBI investigation have been furnished to Bureau of Customs. However, the above information concerning the President is being given no dissemination other than to the White House.

The source of this allegation concerning President Johnson gives reasonable basis for dismissing it. However, due to the nature of this personal information concerning the President, it is felt that it should be furnished to the White House.

ACTION:

If you approve, the attached letter will be delivered to the White House by liaison.

W. R. Wannall
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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Re Miami airtel to Bureau, 2-19-66.

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It is to be noted that CONSTANZO is the subject of a separate investigation entitled "JULIO ATON CONSTANZO PALAU; GERALD PATRICK HEMMING. ETAL. NM. IS - DR" (Bufile 2-1917; Miami 2-387).

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Will continue to maintain contact with appropriate sources and disseminate pertinent information as received. U. S. Customs, Miami, was orally notified of information contained in the LHM.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Miami, Florida
March 10, 1966

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Previous investigation has reflected ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, a former Cuban Senator during the regime of FULGENCIO BATISTA and now residing in exile in New York City, has been in Miami for the alleged purpose of making plans to overthrow the current Haitian Government. He has been allegedly conspiring with HENRY VIXAMA, a Haitian exile who will allegedly allow the Cuban exiles to establish a base of operations in Haiti for use against the CASTRO regime of Cuba in the event the DUVALIER regime in Haiti is toppled.

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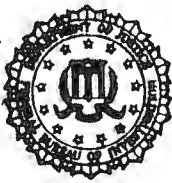
Miami will follow the activities of the AVBC through appropriate sources, in view of the pending change in the leadership of the organization. A LHM will be prepared setting forth the identities of the new officers at which time a determination will be made as to the need for additional investigation.

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ASOCIACION DE VETERANOS DE BAHIA DE COCHINOS,
BRIGADA 2506 (AVBC)

(Association of Veterans of Bay of Pigs,
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It is noted that the AVBC is an anti-CASTRO organization comprised of veterans of the Brigade 2506, which participated in the unsuccessful invasion attempt against Cuba in April, 1961. The office of the organization is located at 720 S.W. 15th Avenue, Miami, and its President is JUAN J. PERUYERO RODRIGUEZ.

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On March 10, 1966, PERUYERO was interviewed at the Town Auto Sales, Inc., 1377 W. Flagler Street, Miami. PERUYERO is a part owner of this firm and also operates as a salesman. He advised as follows:

The AVBC is not and has not been involved in any type of military planning during the past year.

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PERUYERO personally has not been engaged in any military planning during the past year. Any information alleging that the AVBC or PERUYERO, either individually or as President of the AVBC have been so involved, is totally false.

PERUYERO said he has had no contact with any United States government agency recently and that the AVBC is not receiving any assistance from the United States government. The AVBC has not established a base outside the United States and neither the AVBC nor himself have been engaged in the recruitment of men. PERUYERO said he believes rumors of this nature were purposely circulated in Miami in January, 1966 to attempt to associate the AVBC with the plans of ROLANDO MASFERRER, in connection with a military action against Haiti.

PERUYERO said most Cuban exiles were well aware that MASFERRER was in Miami in connection with this plan in January, 1966.

In the early part of January, 1966, a Cuban exile contacted PERUYERO, and sounded him out on the possibility of participation by the AVBC in the MASFERRER plans, utilizing the AVBC men and setting up a base outside the United States. PERUYERO said he immediately and flatly refused to participate or be associated with any such operation either personally or as a representative of the AVBC. He described MASFERRER as a "BATISTIANO of the worst type," and said that any operation directed by MASFERRER could not hope to receive the support of the majority of the exile groups in Miami, with the

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exception of other "BATISTIANOS." PERUYERO said that since this contact in mid-January, he has heard nothing of a direct nature concerning the MASFERRER plan, although there are a number of rumors circulating in the Miami area concerning MASFERRER. PERUYERO stated he had not been contacted personally by MASFERRER either in January or more recently.

PERUYERO advised the only significant activity of the AVBC at the present time is the campaign now in progress preceding the election of new officers of the AVBC, which will take place in April, 1966.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : *W. J. [initials]* SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)

DATE: 3/29/66

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA
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Enclosed are 13 copies of an LHM setting forth information concerning above-captioned individual.

The NYO has received no further contact from MASFERRER, but any information received from him or other sources concerning his activity will be furnished to the Bureau and interested offices.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

March 29, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas
Internal Security - Haiti - Cuba
Neutrality Matters

Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, 32-42 42nd Street, Astoria, Long Island, New York, a former Cuban Senator and leader of a Cuban exile organization, appeared at the New York Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) on March 14, 1966. Masferrer appeared at the New York Office of the FBI in order to furnish information concerning another matter and during the course of his visit to the New York Office, the following information was elicited from him:

Masferrer returned from Miami on the weekend of March 5, 1966, and stated that he was quite satisfied with accomplishments in the Miami area in forming a group of Cuban exiles willing to invade Haiti and overthrow the government of President Francois Duvalier and then set up a base in Haiti from which military action could be taken against Cuba primarily in the Province of Oriente. Masferrer stated that he was satisfied with what had been accomplished primarily because of the divergent groups which had been aligned. Masferrer pointed out that he had brought about a working agreement among the military people in the Miami area who formerly had been followers of Prime Minister Fidel Castro of Cuba and also military of the former Cuban army of ex-President Fulgencio Batista.

Masferrer also advised on March 14, 1966, that Vladimir Secen, who formerly was the military chief of this invasion force, was now replaced by Napoleon Vilaboa who is a former member of the United States Marine Corps. Masferrer stated that Secen was dissatisfied with the operations and being a man of strict military background, he demanded certain things which could not be promised and was not accustomed to revolutionary activities as engaged in by Cuban exile groups.

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Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas

Masferrer further advised that Henry Vixama, Haitian exile who is supplying the financial backing for this planned invasion of Haiti, was last reported to have gone to Nassau, British West Indies and then was to go to Kingston, Jamaica. Masferrer stated that he has not personally met with Vixama since early February, 1966. As of the present time, Masferrer stated that expenses and items purchased were paid for by Vixama and he, Masferrer, has only seen about \$6,500 cash from Vixama. Masferrer stated that nothing further can be done along the lines of planning for the expedition until Vixama advances more funds.

Masferrer also stated that he was sure that the Government of the United States was familiar with his activities with the Cuban exiles in the Miami area and that these United States officials were also surprised over the fact that he, Masferrer, was able to bring together such Cuban exile groups which were so politically opposed to each other. Masferrer stated that the United States Government knows how that such a unification of forces can be accomplished and that these exiles are ready to do something in the event the United States Government wishes to offer any support or advice in this matter. Masferrer stated that it was his personal opinion that now is an excellent time to overthrow the Government of Haiti and also an excellent time to carry out activities against Prime Minister Fidel Castro and his Government in Cuba. Masferrer reiterated that he can do nothing further in this matter and that any further action will be totally dependent upon decisions made by Henry Vixama.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 4/18/66

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are thirteen copies of an LHM setting forth information obtained from the above-captioned individual.

No information has come to the attention of the NYO concerning any activities on the part of Masferrer in the past several weeks. Masferrer, at the present time, is engaged in the New York area in efforts to put out a weekly magazine but does feel his attempts have not materialized.

The NYO will remain alert for any increased activity on the part of Masferrer and, if such information is developed, the Bureau and interested offices will be so advised.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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New York, New York

April 18, 1966

Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas
Internal Security - Haiti - Cuba
Neutrality Matters

Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, 32-42 42nd Street, Astoria, Long Island, New York, a former Cuban Senator and leader of a Cuban exile organization, advised on April 7, 1966, that he and persons connected with him relative to Haitian revolutionaries, have desisted in any further attempts to assist Henry Vixama, a Haitian exile, who was attempting to overthrow the Haitian Government of President Francois Duvalier.

Masferrer stated on April 7, 1966, that the last contact which he had from Vixama was by letter approximately fifteen days ago which was sent from Nassau, British West Indies. In this letter Masferrer stated that Vixama accused Masferrer and the Cuban exiles of abandoning him in carrying out their promises to assist in the overthrow of the Haitian Government. Masferrer advised that as he had previously informed the New York Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), no further action could be taken relative to Haiti unless Vixama made the decision and Vixama came up with the necessary financial help. Masferrer stated that it was his personal opinion that Vixama was not desirous of taking any further action and he, Masferrer, has reservations concerning the mental stability of Vixama.

Masferrer also stated on April 7, 1966, that there was much activity in the Miami area relative to the internal situation in Cuba. Masferrer stated that there are several groups living in the Miami area and these groups are the ones who have the approval and sanction of the United States Government.

Masferrer stated that among those who are allowed to leave the Miami area with United States approval are such groups as the Comandos L (CL), which is headed by

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Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas

FI Antonio ~~Questa~~ and also the group of former rebel soldiers known as Los Juramentados, and a group headed by Julio Aton ~~Constanza~~ Palau who is a former member of the ~~Movimiento Recuperacion~~ Revolucionario (MRR). Masferrer advised that some of his people in the Miami area are furnishing equipment to these groups in order to assist the people inside Cuba who are opposed to the regime of Prime Minister Fidel Castro.

Masferrer stated on April 7, 1966, that he has completely stopped all activity and association with Haitian exiles and contemplates no further connection with them.

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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: MAY 6 1966

FROM : SAC, Miami (2-156) (P)

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Reference Miami airtel with enclosures 3/10/66
and New York letters with enclosures 3/29 and 4/18/66.

Enclosed herewith are 12 copies of LHM dated
and captioned as above.

Copies are being furnished to San Juan and New
York for informational purposes.

Copies of enclosed LHM are being disseminated
locally to INS, ██████████ G-2, Cuban Affairs State Department, ^(info)
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At Miami, Florida

Will continue to maintain contact with established sources and informants and will keep the Bureau advised.

U.S. Customs, Miami, was orally notified of information contained in enclosed LHM.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Previous investigation has reflected ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, a former Cuban Senator during the regime of FULGENCIO BATISTA, and now residing in exile in New York City, has been in Miami for the alleged purpose of making plans to overthrow the present Haitian government. MASFERRER has been allegedly conspiring with HENRY VIXAMA, a Haitian exile, who will allegedly allow Cuban exiles to establish a base of operations in Haiti for use against the CASTRO regime of Cuba in the event the DUVALIER regime in Haiti is overthrown.

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On March 14, 1966, ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS appeared at the office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, New York City, and advised he had returned from Miami, Florida on the weekend of March 5, 1966. He stated he was quite satisfied with accomplishments in the Miami area and in forming a group of Cuban exiles

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willing to invade Haiti, overthrow the DUVALIER government and set up a base from which military action could be taken against Cuba.

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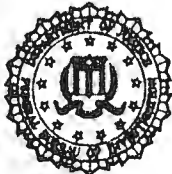
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: MAY 24 1966

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-HAITI-CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT-HAITI-CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS
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ReNYlet with enclosure, dated 3/29/66,
captioned as above.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 13
copies of a LHM setting forth information concerning
the above captioned individual.

The NYO will remain alert for any developments
concerning activities of ROLANDO MASFERRER and any
information developed will be immediately furnished to
the Bureau and interested offices.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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New York, New York

May 25, 1966

Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas
Internal Security-Haiti-Cuba
Registration Act-Haiti-Cuba
Neutrality Matters

Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, 32-42 42nd Street, Astoria, Long Island, New York, a former Cuban Senator and leader of a Cuban exile organization, contacted the New York Office (NYO) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) on May 17, 1966. During contact with Masferrer, the following information was elicited from him:

Masferrer advised that he has not been in personal contact with Henry Vixama, a Haitian exile, who was furnishing financial backing for a planned invasion of Haiti. Masferrer stated that he had received one telephone call from Vixama about five days ago and during the conversation, Vixama pretended that he was in Montreal, Canada, but Masferrer stated that during the conversation, the telephone operator asked Vixama to deposit another dime which indicated that Vixama was calling Masferrer from the New York area. Masferrer stated that he has done nothing further relative to the alleged plans of Vixama to invade Haiti and overthrow Francois Duvalier, President of Haiti.

Masferrer further stated on May 17, 1966, that, to his knowledge, Vixama is not in any position now to carry out an invasion of Haiti as he has neither manpower nor weapons. Masferrer said that he continued to be of the opinion that now was the appropriate time to make an attack against Haiti and he was positive that a well-planned attack would be successful in overthrowing the Government of Haiti.

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Masferrer also stated that he considered it a very favorable and opportune time for some activity to be taken inside Cuba to cause difficulty for the regime there but again he stated that he saw no concrete signs that the United States Government was considering such steps as far as Cuba was concerned. Masferrer stated that there are some people leaving the Miami area for Cuba to carry out infiltration moves but that these people all have the blessing and backing of a particular United States Government agency.

Masferrer stated on May 17, 1966, that as much as he would like to engage in military activities against Haiti and ultimately Cuba, nevertheless, he is not in any financial position to carry out any such activities. Masferrer advised that among Cuban exiles there was a lot of talk but no concrete action has been taken and he does not pay too much attention to the many rumors circulating among Cuban exiles about the possibility of carrying out attacks against Cuba.

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[REDACTED] there is a rumor to the effect that Masferrer has given people the impression that he is working for the United States Government. [REDACTED] that it is rumored in many quarters that Masferrer is most anxious to connect himself in one way or another with the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA).

[REDACTED] advised that he had ascertained from contacts in Washington, D.C., information to the effect that anyone actively engaged in Haitian activities would have to confer with representatives of the United States Department of State. [REDACTED] one meeting was arranged for a representative of the United States Department of State to meet with General Cantave

Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas

and his associates but that at the last moment, this meeting had been cancelled by the United States Department of State.

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[REDACTED] saw no real possibility of doing anything to overthrow President Duvalier of Haiti. [REDACTED] to the best of his knowledge, although Rolando Masferrer still has desires of doing something in Haiti, nevertheless, he sees no possibility since Masferrer does not have the needed financial backing to carry out any armed attack on Haiti.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

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IS - HAITI - CUBA
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NM
(OO: NEW YORK)

On 6/13/66, WALLACE SHANLEY, Assistant Agent in Charge, U. S. Customs (Enforcement), Miami, was contacted at his request. Mr. SHANLEY advised that Customs is presently at a rather delicate stage in its continuing investigation of MASFERRER. They expect their investigation to "come to a head" within a week and if successful, will result in the seizure by Customs of a sizeable quantity of arms presently in the Miami area. Mr. SHANLEY said that any overt investigation or contact with persons closely connected with the operation of MASFERRER at this time could delay the successful conclusion of the seizure.

In this regard he mentioned such individuals as JULIO ATON, CONSTANZO PALAU, ANTONIO ROJAS, ELADIO DEL VALLE, and CARLOS ZAYAS. He does not know that the latter two are involved but they are known to be close associates of MASFERRER and involved in the Haitian plans in the past.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-95677)

DATE: 6/14/66

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (105-1597) (P)

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- 2 - Bureau (RM)
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Miami will attempt to locate and interview [REDACTED] regarding the original information furnished in this matter.

Miami at the present time is considering an interview with Colonel PEDRO VALDIVIA, and at such time as this interview takes place he will be questioned thoroughly regarding the information furnished by [REDACTED]

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-145185)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (105-10755) (P)

**HENRY VIXANA, aka
IS - HAITI - CUBA
(OO: MIAMI)**

Re Washington Field airtel and LHM to Bureau
6/9/66, and Miami airtel to Bureau 6/15/66, under caption
"ROLANDO ARCADIO MASPERER ROJAS."

On 6/15/66, WALLACE SHANLEY, Assistant Agent
in Charge, U. S. Customs (Enforcement), Miami, Fla., was
orally furnished data in referenced Washington Field LHM
6/9/66.

Mr. SHANLEY stated he was very appreciative of
receiving this data as it might tie in with current Customs
investigation as set out in Miami airtel 6/15/66, under the
MASPERER caption.

On 6/21/66 Mr. SHANLEY advised his service has
checked into the boat "Cowboy". It is a fairly small boat
and there is no indication that it is involved in any unusual
activity at present.

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Mr. SHANLEY said he personally doubts the accuracy of the information furnished by the informant in our LHM 6/9/66. He stated Customs still has an informant close to the operations of ROLANDO MASPERER and the only thing delaying MASPERER's activity is the procurement of a suitable boat.

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Close liaison will be maintained with Customs regarding their current investigation and the Bureau will be informed of results thereof.

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Mr. SHANLEY advised that MASFERRER had just arrived in Miami with the intention of remaining undetected. He plans to move the arms outside the U. S. to a location not known. As this movement of arms is apparently imminent, Mr. SHANLEY requested that any direct contact which might be contemplated by the Miami Office with the above mentioned individuals be withheld temporarily.

Above furnished for information of Bureau and New York. Miami had contemplated interview with CONSTANZO in connection with investigation of another matter but this interview is not of an urgent nature and will be conducted at a later date. Contacts not planned with others mentioned.

Close liaison will be maintained with U. S. Customs and Bureau informed of results of their investigation.

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FROM DIRECTOR, FBI

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ALEX WILSON, AKA, NEUTRALITY MATTERS.

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IN CAPTIONED MATTER PRIOR TO DETERMINING IF U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE
(USCS) AT MIAMI IS CONDUCTING ACTIVE INVESTIGATION IN THIS MATTER
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TELETYPE TO SAC, MIAMI
RE: ALEX WILSON, AKA

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Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 7/12/66

FROM SAC NEW YORK (105-38120) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRES ROJAS
IS-HAITI-CUBA
RA-HAITI-CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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ReNYairtel with enclosures dated 5/25/66.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 11 copies of a LHM setting forth information concerning the above captioned individual. There are also enclosed for the Bureau 11 copies of a reliability memorandum setting forth reliability of the informant used.

The NYO will not conduct any active investigation in this matter pending results of investigation presently being conducted by US Customs, Miami. In the event the NYO receives any information, the Bureau and Miami will be immediately informed.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

July 12, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Title	Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas
Character	Internal Security - Haiti - Cuba Registration Act - Haiti - Cuba Neutrality Matters
Reference	is made to New York memorandum, dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Director, FBI

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. Wick
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Wannall
- 1 - Mr. Solomon

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI



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The enclosed memorandum has been furnished to the
Honorable Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President.

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Enclosure

1 - The Deputy Attorney General (Enclosure)

1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley (Enclosure)
Assistant Attorney General

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INTERNAL REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

MEMO:

Memorandum prepared for transmittal by cover letter to the Honorable Marvin Watson at the White House and to the Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General and Assistant Attorney General, J. Walter Yeagley. Copies are being furnished separately to State, CIA, Bureau of Customs, and the military agencies.

Memorandum classified "Confidential" since it concerns a matter with important international ramifications, possibly affecting U. S. foreign policy. Also so classified since it concerns a current important Bureau of Customs investigation.

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Date: 7/28/66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1948)
 FROM: SAC, MIAMI (105-11409) (P)

ALEX WILSON, Aka
 NM

OO: Miami

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Re Washington Field airtels 7/8 and 22/66, and
 Washington Field teletype 7/25/66.

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[REDACTED]

For info Bureau, Washington Field, and New York,
 identified 1958 photo of
 subject ROLANDO MASFERRER ROSAS

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[REDACTED] there is allegedly a training camp established in connection with this operation located 60 to 70 miles north of Miami. This could be in the area of Belle Glade, Fla., location of a number of Cuban-owned sugar plantations, and a logical site for such a camp. [REDACTED]

Apparently, there will be no significant developments for at least ten days to two weeks. Miami will maintain close liaison with Customs, and Bureau will be furnished pertinent info, as obtained.

Info copies furnished Atlanta, New York and Washington Field. One extra copy being sent Bureau in event related info previously transmitted to Legat, Santo Domingo, in view of possible interest.

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TO NEW YORK AND MIAMI - ENCODED

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES, INTERNAL SECURITY-HAITI.

[REDACTED]

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ON JULY TWENTY-THREE, LAST, A MEETING WAS HELD AT THE OFFICES OF THE CONFEDERATION OF CUBAN WORKERS, FORTY-THIRD STREET AND NINTH AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY (POSSIBLY THE ANTI-COMMUNIST EXILE ORGANIZATION, CONFEDERATION OF CUBAN WORKERS IN EXILE). IN ATTENDANCE [REDACTED]

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MASFERRER IS NOTORIOUS CUBAN EXILE LONG ACTIVE WITH HAITIAN EXILES IN ATTEMPTS TO INVADE HAITI).

AS RESULT OF PLANS MADE AT MEETING, TWO STATION WAGONS LOADED WITH ARMS WERE SENT TO MIAMI, FLORIDA, FROM WHERE THEY ARE TO BE TAKEN TO UNIDENTIFIED LOCATION IN FLORIDA KEYS. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] AN INVASION OF HAITI WILL (b7c, b7d) POSSIBLY BE ATTEMPTED SOMETIME AFTER AUGUST ONE, NEXT.

ABOVE INFORMATION ALSO IS BEING FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU OF CUSTOMS FOR SUCH ACTION AS THAT AGENCY DEEMS WARRANTED.

Admin data (last 2 Pgs) sent NY by TT separately - per [REDACTED] Teletype, 7/29/66. (b7c) Confirmation attached. All

END

NY...JVD

FBI NEW YORK

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RE MSGE NR 7 SENT TO YOU YESTERDAY AT 7-56 PM
PLEASE ADD H/ THE FOLLOWING WHICH WAS OMITTED FROM YOUR
COPY.

FOR MIAMI AND NEW YORK ONLY

MIAMI PROMPTLY FURNISH ABOVE INFORMATION TO BUREAU OF CUSTOMS LOCALLY.

NEW YORK INITIATE PROMPT INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER
REPORTED MEETING TOOK PLACE AND ACCURACY [REDACTED] (b7c)
FURNISH RESULTS WITHOUT DELAY/ DELAY TO BUREAU AND MIAMI. (b7d)

END

PLS GIVE ME TITLE OF CASE

TITLE OF CASE IS HAITIN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES, INTERNAL
SECURITY - HAITI.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-55031)

SUBJECT: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
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line 6+11: Cantave. Pg. 2 para. 2 line 3+4.
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full para. line 5. Jean Baptiste line 6+11. 1st
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ReBuTel 7/28/66; NY teletypes dated 7/29/66 and
8/1/66, captioned as above.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are nine copies of
an LHM dated and captioned as above. Two copies are furnished
to the Miami Office in view of their interest in this matter.

Source Date of Contact Contacting Agent

(3-Bureau (Encls. 9) (RM)
2-Miami (Encls. 2) (RM)
6-New York (105-55031)

(1- 105-38120) (ROLANDO MASEFERRER)
(1- 105-56083) (CANTAVE)
(1- 105-69212) (GEORGES)
(1- 105-77178) (VIXAMA)

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LEAD:

NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. Will keep Bureau and Miami
Office advised of any pertinent developments in this matter.

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Haitian Revolutionary Activities
Internal Security-Haiti

and Rolando Masferrer Rojas,

As a result of plans made at the above meeting, two station wagons loaded with arms were sent to Miami, Florida, from where they are to be taken to an unidentified location in the Florida Keys. [REDACTED]

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Haitian Revolutionary Activities

On July 29, 1966, several informants who are familiar with Haitian matters in New York City advised they have no knowledge of any meeting such as described above.



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/27/66

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

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(Bufile 105-95677)

(NYfile 105-55031)

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IS-HAITI

(NYfile 105-78148)(P)

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DATE 9/23/81

ReNYlet to Director, 6/10/66.

(b7c) Enclosed for the Bureau are 16 copies of an LHM, with the dual caption of "Haitian Revolutionary Activities - Internal Security-Haiti; [REDACTED] - Internal Security-Haiti." Two copies are for the Legat, Santo Domingo. The dual caption was employed because the information set forth covers a wide range of Haitian activities, while at the same time places [REDACTED] at the center of much of that activity. Information copies are being furnished Miami, WFO and San Juan. Three copies have been sent to INS, NYC, relating to [REDACTED]

8-Bureau (105- [REDACTED]) (Encls. 16)(RM)

(2- Legat, Santo Domingo)(INFO)

(1- 105-95677)(Haitian Revolutionary Activities)

(1- 105-145165)(HENRY VIXAMA)(INFO)

(1- 105-133501)(FATHER J.B. GEORGES)(INFO)

(1- 2-1622)(ROLANDO MASFERRE)(INFO)

(1- 105-133589)([REDACTED])(INFO)

2-Miami (INFO)(RM)

(1- (105-9214)([REDACTED])

2-San Juan (INFO)(RM)

(1- [REDACTED])

2-Washington Field (INFO)(RM)

1-New York (105-78148)([REDACTED])

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1-New York (105-69212)(FATHER GEORGES)(INFO)

1-New York (105-38120)(ROLANDO MASFERRE)(INFO)

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referred
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(b1) [REDACTED]
Subject's INS file was reviewed by SA [REDACTED]. On 7/13/66, it was determined by SA [REDACTED] that the INS file on [REDACTED] was charged out at INS and therefore not readily available for review.

(b1c) Indices of the NYO reflect that [REDACTED] is the subject of Bufile 105-133589. MM was office of origin concerning him in July, 1965, and the Bureau's attention is called to MM report of SA [REDACTED] dated 7/15/65, which sets forth considerable background information concerning him. [REDACTED]

NY RUC'd its case on him to MM on 4/2/65.

(b7c) Indices of the NYO contain several references, but no case file on [REDACTED] containing information which has been generally capsulized and brought up to date by the information set forth under [REDACTED]

(b1) [REDACTED]
LEADS

NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

(b7c) 1. Will open a 105- file to determine background and present activities of [REDACTED]

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NY 105-55031
105-78148

(b7c) | 2. Will conduct additional investigation, including review of INS file when available, to determine whether [REDACTED] is still in the US. Will reopen 105-69227 to determine his present activities, if he is still in the US.

3. Will submit 7 point letter requesting permission to interview [REDACTED]

4. UACB, NY will not reopen its case on the FARH.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
New York, New York
July 27, 1966

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Haitian Revolutionary Activities
Internal Security - Haiti

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(b7c) | Reference is made to Federal Bureau of Investigation
(FBI) Memorandum captioned [REDACTED] dated March 31,
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(b.1) On [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] now lives with his family at [REDACTED] (b7c)

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Haitian Revolutionary Activities;
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Additional confidential sources, all of whom have furnished reliable information in the past and all of whom are familiar with certain phases of Haitian exile activity in the New York area, advised during July, 1966, that they had no information whatever indicating a revival of the FARH in the New York area. Similarly, none could furnish any information that would indicate that Francois Benoit had become active in exile group activities as such.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-HAITI - CUBA
RA - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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ReNYlet dated 9/1/66 entitled "JULIO ATON
CONSTANZO PALAU, GERALD PATRICK HEMMING, ET AL: IS-DR".

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 12 copies
of an LHM setting forth information concerning activities
of the above captioned individual.

Any additional information obtained in this matter
will be immediately furnished to the Bureau and interested
offices.

An extra copy of the enclosed LHM is being
furnished to Miami for transmittal to US Customs, Miami.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New York, New York
September 7, 1966

Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas
Internal Security - Haiti - Cuba
Registration Act - Haiti - Cuba
Neutrality Matters

ROLANDO MASFERRER

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[REDACTED] advised that Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, a former Cuban Senator and notorious Cuban exile currently residing in the New York area, has been in the Miami area recently and has been cooperating with the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) in putting together a documentary film relative to a possible invasion of Haiti and an overthrow of the Government of Haiti. [REDACTED] connected with Masferrer are a group of Cuban exiles and reportedly some Haitian exiles [REDACTED]

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
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The Attorney General

September 16, 1966

Director, FBI

- 1 - Mr. Wannall
- 1 - Mr. Nasca
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This matter is the subject of current active investigation by the Bureau of Customs, Department of the Treasury. We are conducting no investigation but are maintaining close liaison with the Bureau of Customs and promptly furnishing that Bureau with all pertinent information we obtain.

The attached memorandum is also being furnished to the Honorable Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President. Information set forth therein has been furnished previously to Assistant Attorney General J. Walter Yeagley and to other interested Government agencies.

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The Attorney General

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RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NM; [REDACTED]

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- 1 - Mr. Wick
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. Wannall

September 18, 1968

BY LIAISON

- 1 - Mr. Nasca
- 1 - Mr. Solomon

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Honorable Marvin Watson
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Watson:

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The Bureau of Customs, Department of the Treasury, has assumed primary investigative jurisdiction in this matter and the Federal Bureau of Investigation is conducting no investigation. All pertinent information obtained is being furnished promptly to the Bureau of Customs and close liaison is being maintained with that Bureau in this matter.

The attached memorandum is also being made available to the Attorney General. Information set forth therein has been furnished previously to other interested Government agencies.

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. DeLoach
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Wick
- Mr. Casper
- Mr. Callahan
- Mr. Conrad
- Mr. Felt
- Mr. Gale
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- Mr. Trotter
- Tele. Room
- Miss Holmes
- Miss Gandy

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1 - 105-83677 (Haitian Revolutionary Activities)

Sincerely yours,

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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Information has been received that a team of news photographers from the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) has been photographing the operations of Masferrer's group in its organizational efforts. This same CBS team is now reported to be scheduled to embark for the Dominican Republic on the "Poor Richard" when the shipment of arms is made from Miami.

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The original of this memorandum is being furnished Honorable Marvin Watson at the White House and Xeroxed copies to the Attorney General and the Deputy Attorney General. Information has been furnished to the Department of State, CIA, and the previously as it has been received.

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TO DIRECTOR AND NEW YORK

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON-----

FROM MIAMI (2-156)

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NM.

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FROM MIAMI 152200

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NEUTRALITY MATTERS INTERNAL SECURITY
ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, MIA, [redacted]

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SAC, NEW YORK (105-59952) (RUC)

JULIO ATON CONSTANZO PALAU;
GERALD PATRICK HEMMING; Et Al
NEUTRALITY MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY-DR

ReMMlet to Director with enclosure dated 5/7/66,
and WFOlet with enclosure dated 7/15/66, both captioned as
above.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 9 copies of
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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In Reply, Please Refer to
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New York, New York
September 1, 1966

Julio Aton Constanzo Palau;
Gerald Patrick Hemming; Et Al
Neutrality Matters
Internal Security - Dominican Republic

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1 - Mr. Vannall
1 - Mr. Solomon
1 - Mr. DeBuck

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From: Director, FBI [REDACTED] c

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Enclosed is one copy each of New York airtel and LHM, both dated 8/7/66, and entitled "Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, IS - Haiti - Cuba, RA - Haiti - Cuba, Neutrality Matters."

You will note that according to information reported in the enclosed communications Masferrer is active in a plan to overthrow the Government of Haiti after which he hopes to establish a base in Haiti for an eventual invasion of Cuba. The success of the plan is dependent upon the cooperation and assistance of the Government of the Dominican Republic. In this connection Masferrer reportedly is relying upon the contacts there of Mitchell Livingston Wer Bell III.

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- 2 - Miami
1 - 2-156 (Masferrer)
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1 - 62-108665 (Wer Bell)
1 - 2-1622 (Masferrer)

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Wick
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- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. Wannall
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- 1 - Mr. Solomon

MITCHELL LIVINGSTON WER BELL, III
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Previous memoranda have summarized information concerning alleged current plot to overthrow the Government of Haiti preceded by collection of weapons in the Miami, Florida, area and their transportation outside the U. S. Co-leaders of this venture have now been identified as Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, notorious Cuban exile, and captioned subject, an adventurer of unsavory reputation. Miami Office determined Bureau of Customs had undertaken prior investigation and we are maintaining liaison with Customs and promptly furnishing all pertinent information developed by our sources. Wer Bell was subject of previous correspondence to White House in January and February, 1966. By letter 9/16/66, White House and Attorney General were advised of Masferrer's involvement and data concerning Wer Bell was included. Letters to the Honorable Marvin Watson at the White House and to the Attorney General, transmitting detailed data concerning Wer Bell's current activities, are attached.

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the Honorable Bill Moyers of the Presidential Staff advised us of information which had come to his attention concerning Wer Bell's possible direction of a plan to assassinate Premier Castro of Cuba.
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Current information indicates Wer Bell is in charge of collection and shipment to the Dominican Republic of weapons and ammunition in furtherance of this plot. A Columbia Broadcasting System television documentary team is reported to have been filming activities of this group from the outset under an agreement with principals involved.

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- 1 - 105-95677 (Haitian Revolutionary Activities)

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Memorandum W. R. Wannall to W. C. Sullivan
RE: MITCHELL, LIVINGSTON WER BELL, III
62-108665

We are conducting no active investigation in this matter in view of Customs' current major investigation but are maintaining close liaison with Customs and promptly furnishing them pertinent information obtained. Attached memorandum prepared for transmittal by cover letter to the Honorable Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President, and to the Attorney General and the Deputy Attorney General. We have previously furnished this information to Department of State, CIA and the military agencies as received.

ACTION:

If you approve, the attached letters will be sent to the Honorable Marvin Watson at the White House and to the Attorney General transmitting the summary of information concerning the current activities of the subject and his associates.

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The Attorney General

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September 22, 1966

Director, FBI

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1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Wick
1 - Mr. Sullivan
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1 - Mr. Solomon

MITCHELL LIVINGSTON WEBB BELL, III
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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This matter is the subject of current active investigation by the Bureau of Customs, Department of the Treasury. We are conducting no investigation but are maintaining close liaison with the Bureau of Customs and promptly furnishing that Bureau with all pertinent information we obtain.

The attached memorandum is also being furnished to the Honorable Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President. Information set forth therein has been furnished previously to Assistant Attorney General J. Walter Yeagley and to other interested Government agencies.

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The Attorney General

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BY LIAISON

Honorable Marvin Watson
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Wick
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Masca
1 - Mr. Solomon

Dear Mr. Watson:

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By letter of September 16, 1966, we forwarded, as of possible interest to the President, information concerning the involvement of Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas, an exiled former Cuban Senator, in reported current plans and preparations in this country to mount an armed invasion of Haiti. Identified as a leader along with Masferrer in these activities was Mitchell Livingston Wer Bell, III, of Powder Springs, Georgia.

On January 26, and February 3 and 15, 1966, we furnished to the Honorable Bill D. Moyers information concerning a reported plan of Wer Bell to assassinate Premier Fidel Castro of Cuba.

As indicated in our communication of September 16, 1966, and in the memorandum attached, we have now learned that Wer Bell has involved himself in the Haitian invasion plans of Masferrer. These plans include the collection of arms in this country, their shipment to the Dominican Republic and their storage there for use by an invasion force to be composed of exiled Cubans and Haitians.

The Bureau of Customs, Department of the Treasury, has assumed primary investigative jurisdiction in this matter and the Federal Bureau of Investigation is conducting

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Honorable Marvin Watson

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no investigation. All pertinent information obtained is being furnished promptly to the Bureau of Customs and close liaison is being maintained with that Bureau in this matter.

The attached memorandum is also being made available to the Attorney General. Information set forth therein has been furnished previously to other interested Government agencies.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure

NOTE:

See memorandum W. R. Wannall to W. C. Sullivan, captioned "Mitchell Livingston Wer Bell, III, IS - Haiti, Neutrality Matters," dated 9/21/66, prepared by AHE:djf.

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MITCHELL LIVINGSTON WER BELL, III

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Information has been received that a Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) television documentary team has been filming the operations of Masferrer's group from the outset. This same CBS team is reportedly scheduled to embark for the Dominican Republic on the "Poor Richard" when the shipment of arms is made from Miami, Florida..

NOTE:

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FROM: SAC, MIAMI

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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(OO: New York)
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Re New York airtel and letterhead memorandum to the Bureau, 9/7/66, under MASFERRER caption.

Enclosed are 12 copies for the Bureau and 2 copies for New York of a letterhead memorandum concerning activities of MASFERRER in furtherance of his plan to transport firearms to the Dominican Republic for a proposed invasion of Haiti.

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Miami, Florida
September 14, 1966

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Reference Memorandum dated and captioned as
 above at Miami, Florida

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10:19 PM EDT URGENT 10/14/66 M.F.R.

TO DIRECTOR (2-1622) AND MIAMI (2-156)

FROM NEW YORK -1P-

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9 53 PM EST URGENT 10-26-66 JVV

TO DIRECTOR, NEW YORK, WASHINGTON FIELD, AND SAN JUAN
 NEW YORK AND SAN JUAN VIA WASHINGTON - ENCODED
 FROM MIAMI 270100

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES. IS - HAITI.

RE SAN JUAN TEL, OCTOBER 26 LAST.

BASED ON INFORMATION IN THIS TEL IT WOULD APPEAR THAT IT
 RELATES TO THE PLANS OF ROLANDO MASFERRER ROUAS, BUFILE 2-1622.
 BY TEL OCTOBER 15 LAST, UNDER MASFERRER CAPTION, MIAMI FURNISHED
 BUREAU INFORMATION CONCERNING [REDACTED]

(b7d)

[REDACTED]

MIAMI HAS BEEN MAINTAINING CLOSE CONTACT WITH INFORMANTS
 IN POSITION TO FOLLOW ACTIVITIES OF MASFERRER AND ANY PERTINENT
 INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROMPTLY FURNISHED US CUSTOMS, MIAMI,
 WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION.

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UPON RECEIPT OF RETEL, MIAMI CONTACTED CUSTOMS RE ANY RECENT DEVELOPMENTS. CUSTOMS IS SURVEILLING MASFERRER BOATS AND THEIR INFORMANTS HAVE FURNISHED NO INFORMATION TO INDICATE ANY ACTIVITY IS IMMINENT.

MIAMI WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH ALL LOGICAL SOURCES AND WITH CUSTOMS AND ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION WILL BE PROMPTLY SUBMITTED.

RECEIVED 10:36 PM AKJ

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1 - Mr. Solomon

Airtel

To: SAC, New York (105-85831)

From: Director, FBI (105-95877)

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
IS - HAITI

Reference: NM teletype, instant caption, dated 11/4/66, concerning current developments in alleged Haitian invasion plans of Rolando Masferrer and associates. Copy airmailed you by Miami 11/4/66.

You are to promptly initiate appropriate investigation to identify the Haitian Colonel who met with the Masferrer group in Miami on 10/23/66 and left Miami for New York City on that date. Attempt to determine details of this individual's involvement in the Masferrer operation.

In addition, promptly recontact all logical informants and sources in Haitian matters to again instruct them to be alert for all information coming to their attention regarding the Masferrer operation. Although Bureau of Customs is conducting active current investigation in this matter, we have responsibility to furnish Customs and other interested agencies with all pertinent information we may obtain.

Submit all data obtained in form suitable for dissemination. Utilize teletype dissemination procedures, if warranted. Otherwise, submit LHM's.

1 - New York (105-38120) (Masferrer)

① - 2-1622 (Masferrer)

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NOTE: Referenced NM teletype contained data from NM informant concerning meetings held in Miami within past week, in furtherance of alleged plot to invade Haiti headed by

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Airtel to SAC, New York
RE: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
105-95877

NOTE CONTINUED:

Rolando Masferrer, notorious Cuban exile. Although Customs is investigating, we should insure that any pertinent data available to us through our sources is obtained, furnished to Customs and disseminated, if warranted.

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Date:

10/11/66

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Via APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
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DATE 8/25/81 RVT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED] c (b-1)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI [REDACTED] c (b-1)

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Re Bureau airtels, 9/28/66, and 9/30/66.

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 10/14/66

Information in attached was furnished by teletype to the White House, Secretary of State, Central Intelligence Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Air Force and Department of Army. It will also be given to the Acting Attorney General and the Office of Naval Intelligence.

Information concerning subject Masferrer has previously been disseminated to the above-named agencies.

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TO DIRECTOR (2-1622) AND NEW YORK (105-38120)

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON-----

FROM MIAMI (2-156)

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS: NEUTRALITY MATTERS, 18- HAITI

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CC. MR. SULLIVAN

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Date: 10/14/66

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To: ☒ THE PRESIDENT

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☒ SECRETARY OF STATE

☒ SAC, MIAMI

☒ DIRECTOR, CIA

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☒ DIRECTOR, DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

☐ DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY.

☒ DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

☒ Deferred

☐ Immediate

☐ ~~UNCLASSIFIED - SECURITY SERVICE (SS)~~

☐

From: DIRECTOR, FBI

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REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2 2,3
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Classification: ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Subject: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, NEUTRALITY MATTER.
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (P)
SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eleven copies
of an LHM setting forth information concerning the above
captioned subject.

Miami is requested to check indices and sources
in an effort to identify RALPH SERRANO and CHET GRAY,
mentioned in enclosed LHM.

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November 16, 1966

The Acting Attorney General

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- 1 - Mr. Nasca
- 1 - Mr. Solomon

To: SAC, Miami (105-1597)
From: Director, FBI (105-95677)

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11:50 PM URGENT 11-8-66 PJL

TO DIRECTOR

FROM MIAMI 090200

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TO DIRECTOR 105-95677

FROM MIAMI 105-1597 7P

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM MIAMI 150155

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Honorable Marvin Watson
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Wick
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Liaison
1 - Mr. Nasca
1 - Mr. Solomon

Dear Mr. Watson:

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The Bureau of Customs, Department of the Treasury,
continues to have primary investigative jurisdiction in this
matter and the Federal Bureau of Investigation is conducting
no investigation. All pertinent information obtained is
being furnished promptly to the Bureau of Customs and we are
maintaining close liaison with that Bureau in this matter.

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Honorable Marvin Watson

The attached memorandum is also being made available to the Acting Attorney General. Information set forth therein has been furnished previously to other interested Government agencies. (

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
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FROM MIAMI (2-156)

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FROM MIAMI 105-1597 4P

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MIAMI OFFICE MAINTAINING CLOSE CONTACT WITH INFORMANTS AND U.S. CUSTOMS IS BEING KEPT ADVISED. CUSTOMS HAS INSTITUTED NUMEROUS PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCES BASED ON INFORMATION DISSEMINATED AND IS RELYING ON MIAMI OFFICE INFORMANT COVERAGE FOR FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-95677)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-55031)

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SUBJECT: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
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ReMMtel dated 11/3/66 and Buairtel dated 11/7/66
captioned as above.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are ten copies
of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

In accordance with instructions in reBuairtel,
all logical informants and sources in Haitian matters
were recontacted and again instructed to be alert for
all information coming to their attention regarding the
MASFERRER operation.

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Inasmuch as a limited description was furnished concerning the Haitian Colonel who met with MASFERRER in Miami on 10/23/66, no positive identification could be obtained from informants and sources. Informants pointed out that they are not aware of any Haitian Colonel approximately 30 years of age. In the event Miami is able to furnish a more complete description and/or a photograph of this individual, NY will recontact informants concerning same.

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New York, New York
November 16, 1966

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Haitian Revolutionary Activities

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advised that the aforementioned Haitian Colonel cannot be positively identified by this informant based on the limited description. Informant stated that he has no knowledge of any Haitian Colonel or ex-Colonel who would be approximately 30 years of age. Informant stated, however, that Colonel Rene Leon, a Haitian exile living in New York City, is a very close friend of Father Jean Baptiste Georges, a Haitian exile Catholic

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Haitian Revolutionary Activities

priest, presently living in New York City, who has been very active in the past regarding Haitian revolutionary activities. Informant stated that it is quite possible Colonel Leon is identical to the Haitian Colonel previously described.

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Additional informants and confidential sources, who are in a position to furnish information concerning Haitian revolutionary activities, were contacted concerning this matter, however, they were unable to furnish any pertinent information.

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TO DIRECTOR /105-95677/

MIAMI /105-1597/ 3P

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TAINING CONTACT WITH INFORMANTS AND THE BUREAU WILL BE KEPT
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Airtel

1 - Mr. Rozamus
1 - Mr. Solomon

To: SAC, Miami (2-156)
From: Director, FBI (2-1622)

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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Airtel to SAC, Miami
RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
2-1622

Maintain close and continuing liaison with Customs at the local level sufficient to insure that you become aware of Customs' intention to institute prosecution with regard to Masferrer and/or his associates before such action is taken. Upon determining that Customs is about to move to prosecute, advise Bureau immediately so that appropriate steps can be taken to furnish the Department all information germane to this matter.

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12-34 AM U R G E N T 11-17-66 TDB

TO DIRECTOR 105-95677 AND NEW YORK

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON -----(ENCODED)

FROM MIAMI 105-1597 2P

Mr. Tolson ☒
Mr. DeLoach ☒
Mr. Mohr ☒
Mr. Wick ☒
Mr. Casper ☒
Mr. Callahan ☒
Mr. Conrad ☒
Mr. Felt ☒
Mr. Gale ☒
Mr. Rosen ☒
Mr. Sullivan ☒
Mr. Tavel ☒
Mr. Trotter ☒
Tele. Room ☒
Miss Holmes ☒
Miss Gandy ☒

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES. IS - HAITI.

RE BUREAU TELS NOV. FOURTEEN AND FIFTEEN LAST, AND NEW YORK
TEL NOVEMBER SIXTEEN LAST.

ALTHOUGH BUREAU HAS BEEN DISSEMINATING INFORMATION RECENTLY
RECEIVED FROM MIAMI UNDER ABOVE CAPTION, THE INFORMATION FURNISHED
RELATES PRINCIPALLY TO CONSPIRACY UNDER DIRECTION OF ROLANDO
MASFERRER ROJAS, IN WHICH MATTER CUSTOMS HAS ASSUMED PRIMARY
INVESTIGATIVE JURISDICTION. FOR INFO BUREAU AND NEW YORK, THE
CUSTOMS AGENCY SERVICE IS USING ALMOST ITS ENTIRE COMPLEMENT OF
AGENTS AND INVESTIGATORS IN MIAMI ON SURVEILLANCES, ETC. TO COVER
THE ACTIVITIES OF MASFERRER AND HIS ASSOCIATES. CUSTOMS ALSO HAS
SEVERAL INFORMANTS ON CASE. MIAMI IS ASSISTING CUSTOMS BY FUR-
NISHING THEM INFORMATION FROM INFORMANTS WHO ARE CLOSE TO MASFER-
RER AND ACQUAINTED WITH HIS OPERATION.

IN VIEW OF ABOVE, NEW YORK IS REQUESTED TO USE UTMOST DISCRETION
IN COVERING ACTIVITIES OF MASFERRER AND ASSOCIATES. NO ACTIVE
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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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INVESTIGATION SHOULD BE CONDUCTED RELATING TO MASFERRER'S OPERATION, INASMUCH AS CUSTOMS HAS PRIMARY JURISDICTION. NO INTERVIEWS SHOULD BE CONDUCTED WITH PRINCIPALS INVOLVED IN THIS OPERATION WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL OF BUREAU, AND CONSULTATION WITH MIAMI. AS BUREAU IS AWARE, U.S. CUSTOMS, MIAMI, AT THIS POINT WOULD PROBABLY BE OPPOSED TO INTERVIEWS WITH ANYONE CONNECTED WITH CASE.

NEW YORK SHOULD MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH INFORMANTS WHO CAN PROVIDE INFO IN THIS MATTER, AND IMMEDIATELY DISSEMINATE ANY INFO OF VALUE.

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FBI WAAHWASH DC

cc Messrs Sullivan & Pasca

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U R G E N T 11-17-66

TO DIRECTOR (105-95677)

FROM MIAMI (105-1597)

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~~(CONFIDENTIAL)~~ HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES.

IT IS NOTED ORLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, FORMER CUBAN SENATOR,
IS IN MIAMI, FLA., MOUNTING AN INVASION FORCE OF CUBAN EXILES
AND AMERICAN ADVENTURERS TO ATTEMPT TO OVERTHROW THE HAITIAN
GOVERNMENT. U

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U.S. CUSTOMS ADVISED OF ABOVE INFORMATION. MIAMI MAINTAIN-
ING CONTACT WITH CUSTOMS AND ESTABLISHED SOURCES AND INFORMANTS.

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CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-85677)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (105-1597) (P)

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
IS - HAITI

Re Bureau airtel 11/18/66.

(b.1) [REDACTED]

CASKY is an American adventurer and mercenary who works part time as a crewman on ships going to the Bahamas.

LEWIS is also a seaman and has acted as a boat captain in the past.

MC CRODY is a ship captain who lives in Coral Gables, Fla., and has an office on the Miami River.

All of the above individuals live in Miami and are well known personally to U. S. Customs, Miami, which the Bureau is aware is conducting an active investigation of ROLANDO MASPERER's invasion plan at the present time.

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Miami files reflect **MARTIN FRANCIS CASEY** is a white male, born 8/8/38, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Miami files reflect **JAMES ARTHUR LEWIS** is a white male, born 2/29/33. He formerly served in the Marine Corps and previously lived in San Francisco, Calif. He was a member of Interpen (Bufile 2-1693; MM file 2-312) and was one of the members of Interpen arrested by U. S. Customs on 12/4/62 at Key West, Fla.

THOMAS J. MC CRODY was subject of MM file 105-2558; Bufile 105-87287. He has FBI #1413981 and was born 8/22/16, Chester, Pa. He has been reportedly involved in Cuban revolutionary activities in the Miami area as an alleged supplier of guns and boats.

U. S. Customs, Miami is in possession of all above data relating to **CASEY, LEWIS** and **MC CRODY**.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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RA : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 11/18/66

FROM : D. E. Moore

SUBJECT: HAITIAN SITUATION

[REDACTED]

Rolando Masferrer Rojas is a former Cuban senator who has been in Miami, Florida, engaged in organizing an invasion force of Cuban exiles and American adventurers in an attempt to overthrow the Haitian Government.

Miami advised on November 16, 1966, that Masferrer planned to have the invasion force leave for Haiti on the evening of November 17, 1966. However, as of the evening of November 18, 1966, the invasion force was still in Miami although plans were under way for the group to depart on November 19, 1966. The Customs Bureau has assumed jurisdiction in this matter and is conducting intensified investigation. The foregoing information was furnished to [REDACTED] (b)(c). Additional details contained in a teletype from Miami on November 18, 1966, were furnished by teletype to the White House, Secretary of State, Central Intelligence Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of the Army and Department of Air Force.

ACTION:

None, for information.

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. D. E. Moore
- 1 - Mr. Wappall
- 1 - Mr. Solomon
- 1 - Mr. T. J. Smith

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11-18-66

TO DIRECTOR (105-95677)

FROM MIAMI

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HAITIAN SITUATION. IS - HAITI

IT IS NOTED ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, FORMER CUBAN SENATOR
IS IN MIAMI AND HAS AMASSED A SMALL INVASION FORCE FOR AN
ATTEMPT TO OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT OF HAITI. U

[REDACTED SECTION]

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BY ROUTING SLIP FOR INFO
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MIAMI MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH INFORMANT AND THE BUREAU
WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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DATE 11/23/66

7:12 PM EST URGENT 11-18-66 LAS

TO DIRECTOR

FROM MIAMI 182201

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(CONFIDENTIAL) HAITIAN SITUATION.

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REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2

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ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, FORMER CUBAN SENATOR, IS IN
MIAMI FLORIDA, ENGAGED IN ORGANIZING AN INVASION FORCE OF CUBAN
EXILES AND AMERICAN ADVENTURERS TO ATTEMPT TO OVERTHROW THE
HAITIAN GOVERNMENT.

[REDACTED SECTION]

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BY ROUTING SLIP FOR INFO
DATE 11/23/66 BY [signature]

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cc. Mr. Sullivan

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TO DIRECTOR 105-95677

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FROM MIAMI 105-1597 3P

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ HAITIAN SITUATION.

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS IS PRESENTLY ATTEMPTING TO
ORCH AN INVASION OF HAITI.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

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Miami will maintain contact with Customs locally
re possible prosecution of subject.

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~~(CONFIDENTIAL)~~ HAITIAN SITUATION.

REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, FORMER CUBAN SENATOR, IS IN MIAMI,
 FLORIDA, ATTEMPTING TO MOUNT AN INVASION FORCE TO INVADE HAITI
 AND OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT OF THAT COUNTRY.

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FROM MIAMI 222240 (PAGE TWO)


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 CUSTOMS, MIAMI, IS OF THE OPINION THE INVASION FORCE
 WILL HAVE TO BE REORGANIZED TO BE SUCCESSFUL. THERE ARE A
 RESIDUE OF ABOUT 50 ODD MEN WHO WOULD STILL BE WILLING TO
 GO ON AN INVASION, ACCORDING TO CUSTOMS, BUT THEY WOULD HAVE
 TO BE REGROUPED.

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DATE 8/25/81

Date: 11/19/66

Transmit the message that follows by coded teletype: **URGENT**

To: ☒ THE PRESIDENT

FIELD DISSEMINATION

☒ SECRETARY OF STATE

☒ MIAMI

☒ DIRECTOR, CIA

VIA NEXT AIR-TEL CONTACT

☒ DIRECTOR, DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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☐ WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM, ATT.: SECRET SERVICE (PD)

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From: DIRECTOR, FBI

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM MIAMI 192300

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IS COUNTING AN INVASION FORCE TO INVADE HAITI IN ATTEMPT TO
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Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 11-21-66

Information pertaining to the efforts by Cuban and Haitian exiles in Miami to organize an alleged invasion of Haiti was received over the weekend from several informants. Customs is investigating.

Customs searched the vessel "Ena K" 11-19-66 finding no arms or ammunition. Customs continuing its efforts to locate weapons.

All information developed was disseminated by teletype to the White House, Department of State, Central Intelligence Agency and the military agencies. It will be furnished to the Acting Attorney General, Assistant Attorney General Yeagley and the Bureau of Customs at Headquarters level.

Early this morning news media reported that there has been no confirmation of a report last night from Haiti to the effect Haiti had been invaded from the Dominican Republic (DR). Miami Office advised that as of 7:30 a.m. today no information concerning the alleged invasion has been developed in addition to its previous data 11-15-66 that "250 men had crossed into Haiti from the DR." We will continue to follow closely.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM MIAMI 260300

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ON NOVEMBER 24 LAST, THE MIAMI HERALD, DAILY NEWS PAPER NOV 29 1966
PUBLISHED IN MIAMI, CONTAINED A HEADLINE ARTICLE CONCERNING
THE PROPOSED INVASION OF HAITI THE ARTICLE LISTED THE LEADING
FIGURES INVOLVED AND THE STEPS THEY WENT THROUGH TO FORM THE

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INVASION GROUP.

THE ARTICLE CONTAINED AN INTERVIEW OF NAPOLEON VILABOA WHO COMPLAINED THAT THE INVASION ATTEMPT FAILED BECAUSE THE GROUP LACKED AIRPLANES, BOATS, THE ARMS WERE OLD AND INADEQUATE AND THEY HAD FAILED TO OBTAIN PERMISSION FROM THE U.S. GOVERNMENT FOR SUCH AN INVASION.

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U.S. CUSTOMS ADVISED THEY ARE CONTINUING SURVEILLANCES AND INVESTIGATION.

MIAMI WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH CUSTOMS AND INFORMANTS AND KEEP THE BUREAU ADVISED. ^{SUBMIT COPY OF DISSEMINATED} SUCOP. MATERIAL.

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INFORMANTS AND CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES FAMILIAR WITH CERTAIN PHASES OF HAITIAN EXILE ACTIVITIES IN NYC, COULD FURNISH NO PERTINENT INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS MATTER OTHER THAN TO STATE THEY HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY IMPENDING INVASION OF HAITI.

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U R G E N T 11-21-66

TO DIRECTOR AND NEW YORK

NEW YORK VIA WASHINGTON-----

FROM MIAMI 105-1597 5P

(CONFIDENTIAL) HAITIAN SITUATION.

ON NOVEMBER TWENTY ONE, WALLACE D. SHANLEY, ASSISTANT AGENT IN CHARGE (ENFORCEMENT) U.S. CUSTOMS AGENCY SERVICE MIAMI, STATED REPORT WHICH HAS BEEN HEARD ON CBS RADIO THIS DATE TO EFFECT THAT INVASION OF HAITI HAS TAKEN PLACE, IS APPARENTLY NOT TRUE. SHANLEY STATED HE HAD LEARNED FROM A MOST RELIABLE SOURCE WHO IS CLOSE TO THE SITUATION THAT INFORMATION IN QUESTION CAME FROM AN UNCONFIRMED SOURCE, AND CBS OFFICIALS THEMSELVES DOUBT ITS RELIABILITY.

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MR. DELOACH

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FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS HE MIGHT BE PURSUING AT PRESENT TIME.

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NEW YORK, DISCREETLY CONTACT SOURCES TO ASCERTAIN IF

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(CONFIDENTIAL) HAITIAN SITUATION

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, FORMER CUBAN SENATOR, IS IN

MIAMI, FLA., MOUNTING AN INVASION FORCE TO INVADE HAITI IN
AN ATTEMPT TO OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT OF THAT COUNTRY.

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General

December 8, 1966

Director, FBI **REC 5**
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1 - Mr. Solomon

EX-112
ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference is made to your letter dated December 2, 1966, captioned as above wherein you requested to be furnished with information in our possession concerning the plans and preparations of Masferrer and others to mount an armed invasion of Haiti from the Miami, Florida, area.

The activities of Masferrer and his associates, referred to above, are the subject of continuing active investigation by the Bureau of Customs, Department of the Treasury. This Bureau has conducted no investigation in this matter but has been maintaining close liaison with the Bureau of Customs and promptly furnishing that Bureau with all pertinent information we obtain.

A review of our records indicates that we have furnished to you previously all pertinent information we possess regarding this situation with the exception of the enclosed memorandum. In recent weeks a considerable amount of such information has been forwarded to you under the captions "Haitian Revolutionary Activities," "Haitian Situation" and "Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas."

Included in our recent correspondence is data indicating the involvement of the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) in photographing the invasion preparations of the Masferrer group. Your attention is also invited to three previously forwarded memoranda prepared at Washington, D. C., one dated July 8, 1966, and two dated July 12, 1966, all captioned "Alex Wilson, Internal Security - Haiti, Neutrality Matters." Each contains further specific information concerning CBS involvement. For your additional information there is enclosed herewith a copy of a memorandum dated October 28, 1966, at New York, New York, under the Masferrer caption which also contains information pertinent to this matter.

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2 - Miami (2-156) (Enclosure) **SEE NOTE FOR SAC, MIAMI PAGE TWO**
105-95677 (Haitian Revolutionary Activities)

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley

Numerous references to the physical presence of Masferrer in the Miami, Florida, area appear in the data we have previously forwarded to you. In addition, we are directing our Miami, Florida, Office to attempt to obtain further information in this regard and we will furnish the results to you upon receipt.

Enclosure

NOTE FOR SAC, MIAMI:

Enclosed is single copy of referenced Department letter, 12/2/66. Your attention is directed to last paragraph of that letter wherein we are requested to furnish available data concerning Masferrer's presence in Florida. Although we have previously furnished the Department pertinent data in this regard it is desired that you promptly prepare an LHM consolidating all such information available from a review of your records and contact with informants and established sources. Since Customs has primary investigative jurisdiction you are to conduct no active investigation. Submit promptly for dissemination to Department.

NOTE:

Department's letter 12/2/66 states Department is aware that activities of subject and associates in preparing for invasion of Haiti from Miami is matter within Customs investigative responsibility and that Department has requested full investigative report from Customs. Department, however, requests information in our possession in this matter. Department already in possession of all pertinent data in our files. In past six weeks we have forwarded to Department some 30 Xerox copies of dissemination teletypes and 9 LHMs of pertinence.

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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[REDACTED] INS, NYC, advised 12/5/66 that INS had received a telephone call from J. WALTER YEAGLEY, Assistant Attorney General, Washington, D. C., requesting that action be taken relative to MASFERRER for violation of his Immigration status. [REDACTED] stated that MASFERRER was due to report to INS on 12/5/66, at which time he would be interviewed and reprimanded relative to his unauthorized trips to Miami.

(b7c) [REDACTED] INS, NYC, advised on 12/6/66, that he had interviewed MASFERRER on 12/5/66, at which time MASFERRER was cooperative, except for answering questions concerning unauthorized trips to Miami and concerning his activities in the Miami area. [REDACTED] stated that MASFERRER declined to answer questions relative to his Miami trips on the grounds of self-incrimination. [REDACTED] also stated that at the time of the interview, MASFERRER had indicated that this may be the last time that he reports to INS in New York, but did not further elaborate on this statement. [REDACTED] also advised that relative to his activities in Miami, MASFERRER stated that the US Government had full knowledge of his activities and had expressed an interest in his alleged invasion of Haiti.

An extra copy of the enclosed LHM has been forwarded to US Customs, NYC.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)

DATE: 12/16/66

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA
RA - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM, one of which is being furnished for the Bufile on AQUILINO E. BOYD, and another for the Bufile pertaining to DIEGO MADRIGAL. A copy of the LHM is being furnished for the information of the Miami Office.

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New York, New York

December 16, 1966

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Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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DATE 5-17-81

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: DEC 31 1966

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FROM :

SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

SUBJECT:

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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Date 1/1/67 by Little this caption

(OO: New York)

Re Bureau letter to Assistant Attorney General J. WALTER YEAGLEY dated 12/8/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau, per instructions page 2 of referenced letter, are 12 copies of a letterhead memorandum concerning MASFERRER consolidating information previously submitted under that caption as well as Haitian Revolutionary Activities, Haitian Situation and ALEX WILSON IS - HAITI.

Enclosed LHM covers the period when the present phase of the MASFERRER plan to overthrow the Haitian Government developed in January, 1966, to date.

Copies of this LHM have been disseminated locally to INS, State Dept. (Cuban Affairs), Border Patrol, Customs (Miami, Region II and Key West), Coast Guard, G-2, NISO, OSI, USAFAD and FAA. One copy has been designated for the Atlanta Office in view of the information contained relating to MITCHELL WER BELL.

Information relating to activities and presence of MASFERRER in the Miami area as of and subsequent to 12/12/66 have been furnished to INS and Customs. INS, Miami, has

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advised that they have authorization for the arrest of MASFERRER for violation of the U. S. Federal Court Order, and he will be detained upon location. Information relating to the whereabouts of MASFERRER has been furnished telephonically to INS upon receipt. ✓

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Miami will continue to follow activities of MASFERRER and his associates by appropriate informants and any pertinent information developed will be promptly submitted for dissemination. ✓

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Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA;
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[REDACTED] furnished information
indicating that Rolando Masferrer had been in Miami in
January, 1966, and that arms have been brought from New York
City to be hidden somewhere outside of Miami. U

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Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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(b-1) [REDACTED] that Masferrer was receiving financing for his plan to overthrow the government of Haiti from Henry Vixama, a Haitian exile. Funds supplied by Vixama were used to purchase arms by Masferrer which arms were sent from New York City to Miami, and according to [REDACTED] included the following: *U.S.*

Twenty .50 caliber machine guns

Thirty .30 caliber machine guns

Four 3.5" bazookas

Two 57mm recoilless rifles

Four 81mm mortars

One 60mm Chinese mortar

(b-1) A quantity of new AR-15s were purchased at a cost of \$125 apiece. [REDACTED] that Masferrer had indicated that he was experiencing considerable difficulty in obtaining additional funds from Vixama. [REDACTED] that Masferrer departed Miami for New York City on March 8, 1966, where he was to make his monthly report to the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS). U

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Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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[REDACTED]

On March 14, 1966, Rolando Masferrer appeared at the New York Office of the FBI and advised that he had returned from Miami on the week of March 5, 1966. He said that he was quite satisfied with his accomplishments in forming a group of Cuban exiles to invade Haiti and overthrow the government of President Francois Duvalier. He then planned to set up a base in Haiti to take military action against Cuba. Masferrer stated that he was pleased to have aligned divergent exile groups; that no further steps could be taken in the planning until additional funds had been obtained from Henry Vixama, the financial backer of the invasion plan. U

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] reported that at that time Masferrer was still actively engaged in Haitian revolutionary activities. [REDACTED] reported that Masferrer had indicated he felt that it was an opportune time to carry out military action against Haiti. U

[REDACTED] reported that a Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) team consisting of Andrew St. George, Robert Funk, James Wilson and Jay McMullen, had been in Coral Gables, Florida, in June, 1966, to film a documentary

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Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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(b-1) [REDACTED] about the collection and shipment of arms from the United States to Haitian rebel forces outside of the United States. [REDACTED] said that McMullen had been in contact with Haitian exiles in New York City in early June, 1966, and was advised that one Alex Wilson of Atlanta, Georgia, was the custodian of the arms and munition cache. McMullen went to the Atlanta area where he met Wilson who was residing on an 85 acre farm outside of Atlanta and observed a cache of arms in the basement of the house. McMullen became interested in filming a documentary for CBS as to the eventual purpose and destination of these weapons and organized a CBS team which went to Miami Beach, Florida, in the latter part of June, 1966. W

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Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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(b-1) [REDACTED] subsequently identified "Pancho" as Rolando Masferrer and Alex Wilson as Mitchell Wer Bell. U

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the filming had been postponed because of radio broadcasts originating from Haiti and Havana, Cuba, accusing the United States Government of supporting a plan to overthrow Duvalier. U

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Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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(b-1) [REDACTED]

On August 30, 1966 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that Masferrer had been in Miami recently cooperating with CBS in filming a documentary relative to a possible invasion of Haiti by a group of Cuban and Haitian exiles. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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(b-1) [REDACTED] advised that Masferrer was then in Miami continuing his preparations for an alleged invasion of Haiti. [REDACTED] said that Wer Bell was still connected with the Masferrer plan and continued to be an important link in the operation because of his contacts in the Dominican Republic. ✓

[REDACTED] that Masferrer was still having trouble obtaining a suitable boat because of financial problems, and that for this reason [REDACTED] was very skeptical that Masferrer would be successful in completing his plans to invade Haiti lacking the necessary transportation and funds. ✓

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The "Miami Herald" on November 24, 1966, carried an article captioned "Story of an Invasion That Never Happened," in which details of the alleged plot were related by Napoleon Vilaboa who said that the invasion broke up when the Cuban military chiefs quit, charging that the operation was based on poor weapons and a phantom air force and navy. L

(b1) [redacted] that Rolando Masferrer had returned to New York City after having spent several weeks in Miami making final preparations for his alleged invasion of Haiti. [redacted] said that Masferrer had designated several dates for the invasion but always some excuse was offered for not initiating it. [redacted] said that while the invasion plans of Masferrer were being held in abeyance the possibility existed that sometime in the future something could be done concerning the alleged plan to invade Haiti. [redacted] that he believed that Masferrer may have deliberately leaked information concerning the invasion as an excuse for not carrying out the invasion. [redacted] that Masferrer had been telling people that the invasion had been called off because United States Government authorities knew all about his plans. U

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Miami, Florida

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 2-156

DEC 31 1966

Title ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA;
 NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Reference Memorandum dated and captioned as
 above at Miami, Florida.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

(b-1) [REDACTED] is a person with whom insufficient contact has been had to determine his reliability.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1954)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-395) (RUC)

GEORGE DE MATO;
ET AL
NEUTRALITY MATTERS - CUBA
IMPERSONATION

(b7d) [REDACTED]

The Miami telephone directory for September, 1966, lists MI 6-7772 to ALFREDO M. ROJAS, 2368 S.W. 12th St.

On 12/19/66, WALLACE SHANLEY, U. S. Customs, Miami, advised that ALFREDO M. ROJAS, 2368 S.W. 12th St., Miami, is the son of RODOLFO "KIKI" MASFERRER. RODOLFO is a brother of ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS. Mr. SHANLEY advised that his office is continuing its investigation of ROLANDO MASFERRER and his preparations for a purported invasion of Haiti.

Mr. SHANLEY was furnished a copy of New York LHM dated 10/5/66 in captioned matter. He said his office will not take any action based on the LHM.

The Bureau and New York are currently informed of ROLANDO MASFERRER's activities in Bufile 2-1622 and New York file 105-28120.

④ Bureau (1 - 2-1622) (ROLANDO MASFERRER) (RM)
② New York
(2 - 2-623) (DE MATO) (1 - 105-28120) (MASFERRER) (RM)
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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 1/3/67

FROM : SAC, DENVER (105-3415) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA
RA - HAITI - CUBA
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*place cc in
105-94508 (Brown)*

Re New York airtel dated 12/7/66.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 11 copies, for New York 4 copies, and for Miami 2 copies, of letterhead memorandum setting forth information concerning ROBERT KENNETH BROWN, who, no doubt, is identical with Captain BOB BROWN, Boulder, Colorado, mentioned in New York letterhead memorandum dated 12/7/66.

- 2-Bureau (Enc. 1) **ENCLOSURE**
- 4-New York (Enc. 4) (RM)
 - (1 - 105-6797 ST. GEORGE)
 - (1 - 105-69212 FATHER GEORGES)
 - (1 - 105-83509 SERRANO)
 - (1 - 105-38120)

- 1-Miami (Info) (RM)
(Enc. 2) - (1-U. S. Customs, Miami)

- 2-Denver (Info to: CIA/OSI/FAO/Customs
ONI/OSI/ECI/USAF) pmb
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by routing slip for info.

DATE 1/23/67 BY *Art's (red)*
Remarks: Reference this Bureau's
memorandum dated 12/7/66 at New York, N.Y.

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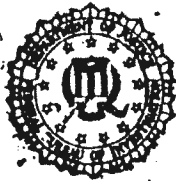
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 105-3413

Denver, Colorado
January 3, 1967

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Re: Robert Kenneth Brown
Boulder, Colorado

ROBERT K. BROWN

FL

(b7d) [redacted] advised on December 23, 1966, that Robert Kenneth Brown is editor and publisher of Panther Publications, Boulder, Colorado. Brown publishes books and pamphlets on guerrilla warfare. [redacted]

On December 1, 1964, Robert Kenneth Brown advised a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that he was helping the Cuban refugees in any way he could, but wholly within the laws of the United States and of the various States.

(b7c) (b7d) [redacted] advised that Robert K. Brown, [redacted] since newspaperman from Colorado, was in Miami, Florida. Brown reportedly had translated a book from English to Spanish entitled "150 Questions for a Guerrilla." Brown had been in contact with anti-Castro Cubans in exile in the United States.

The "Colorado Daily," a Boulder, Colorado, daily newspaper, issue of May 10, 1963, contains an article concerning Robert Kenneth Brown which identified him as working

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

for a Master's Degree at the University of Colorado on his thesis on the "Communist Infiltration of the Cuban Labor Movement." The article reported that Brown ran the only publishing firm in the country specializing in books on guerrilla warfare.

On November 28, 1963, [REDACTED] Brown (b7D) was a Captain in the United States Army Reserve.

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DIRECTOR

MIAMI (105-1597)

INTERNAL SECURITY
HAITIAN SITUATION; IS - HAITI.

ON ONE THREE SIXTYSEVEN [REDACTED] U.S. CUSTOMS KEY WEST,

ARRESTED THAT LATE IN THE EVENING OF ONE TWO SIXTYSEVEN CUSTOMS HAD
ARRESTED BETWEEN SEVENTYFIVE TO ONE HUNDRED INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE PART
OF ROLANDO MASFERRER'S GROUP WHO PLANNED TO INVADE HAITI. AMONG
GROUP ARRESTED WAS MASFERRER AND FATHER JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES. THE
GROUP WAS ARRESTED AT A RESIDENCE LOCATED AT COCOA PLUM ESTATES NEAR
MONROE. ENTRY TO HOUSE WAS MADE ON A SEARCH WARRANT PREVIOUSLY
ISSUED TO CUSTOMS.

SEIZED AT THE RESIDENCE WAS A LARGE QUANTITY OF ARMS INCLUDING
THIRTY AND FIFTY CALIBER MACHINE GUNS, "BARS," (BROWNING Automatic Rifle) "R DASH FIFTEEN" RIFLES,
MORTARS AND BAZOOKA AMMUNITION. IN THE GROUP WERE SIX TO EIGHT AMERI-
CANS, TWENTYFIVE TO THIRTY HAITIANS AND THE BALANCE WERE CUBANS.
ABOUT TWENTY OF THE RINGLEADERS OF THE GROUP INCLUDING MASFERRER AND
GEORGES HAVE BEEN BROUGHT TO MONROE COUNTY JAIL, KEY WEST AND
WILL BE CHARGED WITH VIOLATION OF TITLE TWENTYTWO USC SECTION ONE NINE
THREE FOUR. THE REMAINDER ARE BEING TAKEN IN TWO BUSLOADS TO MIAMI

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AND WILL BE LODGED IN DADE COUNTY JAIL ON SAME CHARGE. 1/11

(b7c) [REDACTED] ADVISED WHILE RETURNING FROM WORK LATE PM ONE TWO SIXTYSEVEN NEAR COCOA PLUM BEACH THEY WERE STOPPED BY A CUBAN WHO WAS STANDING IN MIDDLE OF ROAD AND HAD A GRENADE IN HIS HAND. HE FORCED [REDACTED] TO DRIVE HIM (b7c) TO BEACH. HE HAD TWO GRENADES AND KEPT THREATENING TO PULL PIN IF [REDACTED] COULD NOT COOPERATE. THEY DROVE HIM TO S.W. EIGHTH AVE. AND FOURTH STREET IN MIAMI WHERE HE THANKED THEM PROFUSELY AND PROFESSED FRIENDSHIP FOR THEM. [REDACTED] REPORTED MATTER TO POLICE WHO REFERRED (b7c) THEM TO FBI. THIS ABOVE INFORMATION FURNISHED TO STANLEY SCHACHTER U.S. CUSTOMS MIAMI WHO STATED BASED ON DESCRIPTION OF CUBAN AND LOCATION OF HOUSE THIS VERY PROBABLY JULIO ATON CONSTANZO, ONE OF THE LEADERS OF THE MASFERRER GROUP WHO HAD ESCAPED FROM CUSTOMS AT MARATHON. SCHACHTER SAID HE WOULD HAVE ATON IMMEDIATELY APPREHENDED.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF DEVELOPEMENTS IN THIS MATTER.

CORRECTIONS;

LINE NINE PAGE TWO :

FOURTH STREET IN MIAMI WHERE HE THANKED THEM PROFUSELY AND PROFESSED

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9:05 AM 1/3/67

Info orally to [REDACTED] State - [REDACTED] (b7c)

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE MIAMI TELETYPE TO BUREAU JANUARY THIRD, SIXTY SEVEN.

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*W.R. Wynn II
and A.H. Solomon
advised 1/3/66 -
JCO*

*~~memo to be prepared -~~
all facts reported herein
have been in press.
WRL
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Immigration Officials Grill Chief of Invaders

KEY WEST, Fla., Jan. 4 (UPI)—Rolando Masferrer, the Cuban exile chief of a Haitian invasion force, was released from jail today and immediately grabbed by Federal agents.

Masferrer, a 48-year-old former Cuban senator who once headed a private Cuban army called "Masferrer's Tigers," was taken to Miami for questioning by U.S. immigration officials.

Masferrer and an exiled Haitian priest, Father Jean Baptiste Georges, were leaders of a heavily armed and uniformed Haitian invasion force that was rounded up Monday night on Coco Plumb Beach in the Florida Keys.

The 76-member invasion force planned to invade Haiti,

overthrow dictator François Duvalier, and use Haiti as the launching point of an invasion of Fidel Castro's Cuba.

Masferrer was released from jail on \$5000 bond, but was taken into custody immediately by a U.S. marshal.

As the marshal and Masferrer walked out of the jail, they were met by an angry crowd of exiles who demanded the release of their leader. The marshal hustled Masferrer into a waiting car and sped off before the exiles could carry out their threat to block the Federal agent.

All but Masferrer and an unidentified AWOL U.S. Army soldier were released Wednesday on bonds ranging from \$100 to \$5000.

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 The Washington Daily News _____
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Miss Gandy	✓

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CU - HAITI
NM INTERNAL SECURITY ~~USA~~

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OO: NEW YORK

The above is being furnished for the information
of the Bureau and New York, inasmuch as MASFERRER is fully
capable of making such a claim during his trial.

It is to be noted that the New York Office has
interviewed MASFERRER several times in the past, and he
has been emphatically advised to refrain from stating or
implying he had any connection with or was working for
FBI.

In the event MASFERRER makes such an allegation,
the U. S. Attorney may request testimony to refute this
from the Bureau and New York Office.

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(b7c) [redacted] heb

C.C. Wick

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Masferrer is notorious Cuban exile and former Cuban Senator, long a leader in unsuccessful efforts to organize exile invasions of Haiti from U. S. for avowed purpose of using Haiti as base for attack on Castro Cuba. Customs Bureau has had activities of Masferrer under intensive investigation which culminated in Customs' arrest on 1/2/67 of Masferrer and 75 Cuban and Haitian exiles and American mercenaries at Marathon, Florida. All were charged with attempting to export arms illegally (T.18, Sec. 1934) and all are awaiting trial.

Masferrer most definitely does not nor has he ever "worked for the FBI." He has been repeatedly warned to refrain from so stating or implying.

Masferrer has in the past made false claims of having U. S. Government sanction in the course of his efforts to recruit personnel for his invasion forces.

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To: SAC, Denver (105-3415)

From: Director, FBI (2-1622)

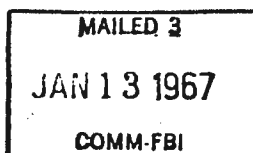
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ReDNlet and LHM 1/3/67.

Advise Bureau and all recipients of referenced letter and LHM by return mail of identity of [REDACTED] (b7d) Dissemination of LHM at Bureau being delayed pending receipt.

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CUBAN AND HAITIAN EXILES, INCLUDING ROLANDO MASFERRER
ROJAS AND FATHER JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES, HAVE BEEN IN MIAMI,
 FLORIDA AREA PERIODICALLY DURING PAST SEVERAL MONTHS IN
 CONNECTION WITH PLANS TO ATTEMPT TO OVERTHROW CURRENT HAITIAN
 GOVERNMENT.

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DIRECTOR (105-95677), AND SAN JUAN
SAN JUAN VIA WASHINGTON -- (ENCODED)
FROM MEMPHIS (105-1597) 2P

CLASSIFIED (EXCLUDED) HAITIAN SITUATION.

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REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2
DATE OF REVIEW 12/30/81

CUBAN AND HAITIAN ENIGMAS, INCLUDING ROLANDO MASFERRE ROUS,
ANTHONY JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES AND RENE LILADOIS, HAVE BEEN IN
THE MIAMI, FLORIDA, AREA DURING THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS IN CON-
NECTION WITH PLANS TO ATTEMPT TO OVERTHROW THE CURRENT HAITIAN
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U.S. CUSTOMS ADVISED. BEING FOLLOWING THIS MATTER CLOSELY
AND WILL KEEP BUREAU ADVISED.

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WILL A. KELLY

FOR WASH DC

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TO SECRETARY OF STATE 001

TO DIRECTOR CIA 001 2-1622-

TO DIRECTOR DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY 001

TO DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY 001

TO DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE 001

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

(CONFIDENTIAL)

HAITIAN SITUATION

REFERENCE THIS BUREAU'S TELETYPES NUMBER 001, DECEMBER TWENTY THREE LAST AND NUMBER 1 (NUMBER 4 TO STATE), DECEMBER TWENTY EIGHT LAST.

CUBAN AND HAITIAN EXILES, INCLUDING ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, FATHER JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES AND RENE LILABOIS, HAVE BEEN IN THE MIAMI, FLORIDA, AREA DURING THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS IN CONNECTION WITH PLANS TO ATTEMPT TO OVERTHROW THE CURRENT HAITIAN GOVERNMENT.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-35377) AND SAN JUAN

SAN JUAN VIA WASHINGTON (ENCODED)

FROM MIAMI (105-1597) 2P

(CONFIDENTIAL) HAITIAN SITUATION.

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REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2
DATE OF REVIEW 12/28/86

CUBAN AND HAITIAN EXILES, INCLUDING ROLANDO MASFERRER
AND FATHER JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES, HAVE BEEN IN THE MIAMI,
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 1/31/77

FROM : *T.E.M.* SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120)(P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

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Date: 1/10/67

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Via AIRTEL

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-95677)
 FROM: SAC, MIAMI (105-1597) (P)
 RE: HAITIAN SITUATION

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM, captioned and dated as above.

Copies are being furnished interested offices for their information.

Copy is being furnished locally to 111th M.I. Group inasmuch as they have expressed an interest in receiving a copy of this memorandum.

On 1/6/67, STANLEY SCHACHTER, U.S. Customs, Miami, Florida, advised that a complete inventory of weapons and ammunition seized by Customs on 1/2/67, is still being made and as soon as completed a copy of this inventory will be furnished this office.

- ④ - Bureau (Enc. - 9) (RM)
 (1 - 2-1622) (MASFERRER)
 4 - New York (Enc. - 4) (RM)
 (1 - 105-38120) (MASFERRER)
 (1 - 105-69212) (Father GEORGES)
 1 - Atlanta (Info) (RM) (Enc. - 1)
 1 - Boston (Info) (RM) (Enc. - 1)
 1 - Philadelphia (Info) (RM) (Enc. - 1)
 1 - San Juan (Info) (RM) (Enc. - 1)
 1 - Newark (Info) (RM) (Enc. - 1)
 4 - Miami (1 - 105-1597)
 (1 - 2-156) (MASFERRER)
 (1 - 105- FATHER GEORGES)
 (1 - 105- JULIO ATON)

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The Bureau will be promptly advised of pertinent future developments in this case.

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RE: HAITIAN SITUATION

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Regarding ATON, it is to be noted that on
January 3, 1967, [REDACTED]

(b7c) Individual meeting the description of ATON, had stopped
the car they were in near Cocoa Plum Beach and forced them
to drive him to Miami. He did this by threatening to pull
the pin of two grenades which he had in his possession.
[REDACTED] drove the individual to S.W. 8th Avenue
and 4th Street, which is where ATON lived. [REDACTED]

RE: HAITIAN SITUATION

recalled that the individual used the name of JULIO ATON.

On January 5, 1967, [REDACTED] Monroe (b7c) County Sheriff's Office, advised that his office shortly plans to arrest ATON on a charge of aggravated assault, which is punishable under the laws of the State of Florida by maximum sentence of ten years imprisonment. He stated as soon as the necessary affidavits have been obtained in this case, a warrant will be issued for the arrest of ATON on this charge.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Gale

Mr. W. C. Sullivan

January 11, 1967

W. R. Wannall

1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Solomon
1 - Mr. Mason

**NEUTRALITY MYTHS - COM
IMPERSONATION**

This memorandum recommends that New York Office (NYO) interview [redacted] subjects in this case who are allegedly involved in conspiracy to invade Cuba and assassinate Castro. Airtel to NYO is attached.

Previous memoranda have advised that at request of Assistant Attorney General J. Walter Yeagley we interviewed [redacted] who furnished information concerning conspiracy to overthrow Castro, in which the subjects were allegedly involved. The data originated with [redacted]. After studying facts Assistant Attorney General Yeagley requested we conduct investigation in view of possible violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 960 (which deals with organization of expedition), a violation within the Bureau's primary jurisdiction. Yeagley pointed out that if independent evidence is obtained against those involved, prosecution would not necessarily be precluded [redacted].

Investigation to date has produced no concrete information corroborating the allegations. It is known, however, that [redacted] contact Rolando Masferrer, notorious Cuban refugee who has long been involved in revolutionary activities. This indicates some degree of acquaintanceship between the two and possible involvement of Masferrer in the conspiracy. Masferrer was recently arrested in Florida with a number of other individuals in connection with a proposed invasion of Haiti. The arrest received nationwide publicity. [redacted]

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1- 2-1622 (Masferrer)

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(b7c) Memorandum Wannall to Sullivan
Re: [REDACTED] et al
2-1954

(b7d)

[REDACTED]

(b7c)

[REDACTED]

ACTION:

(b7c) If you approve, the attached airtel will be sent
NYO authorizing interviews with [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] as proposed.

F B I

Date: 1/6/67

Transmit the following in _____

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Via AIRTEL _____

(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1954)
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (2-623) (P)
SUBJECT: (b7c) [REDACTED] ET AL
NM-CUBA
IMPERSONATION

(b7c) Re report of SA [REDACTED] 1/4/67 at NY,
setting forth identifying and background information concerning
subjects.

Matter under investigation is a conspiracy
between a number of individuals to effect an invasion of Cuba
and assassination of Cuban Premier FIDEL CASTRO, in which CIA
assistance was allegedly sought through the medium of two
NYC residents. The conspiracy transpired between July and
October, 1966 with no known resulting overt action. Conspiracy
is based [REDACTED]

(b7d) [REDACTED] personal
contact occurred between various of the subjects in furtherance
of the conspiracy, but since the conspiracy never came to fruit,
it did not become public knowledge [REDACTED]

- 4 - Bureau (RM) (1-2-1622) (ROLANDO MASFERRER)
- 3 - Miami (2-395) (RM) (1-2-156) (ROLANDO MASFERRER)
- 1 - Newark (INFO) (RM)
- 1 - San Juan (INFO) (RM)
- 2 - New York (1-105-38120) (ROLANDO MASFERRER)

(b7c) [REDACTED] amb
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[REDACTED]

(b7c)
(b7d)

As the Bureau is aware, subject [REDACTED]

ROLANDO MASFERRER, indicating some degree of acquaintanceship between the two in possible involvement of MASFERRER himself in conspiracy. MASFERRER was recently arrested in Florida with a number of other individuals by US Customs officials in connection with a proposed invasion of Haiti and his arrest received considerable nationwide publicity.

[REDACTED]

(b7d)

REQUEST OF BUREAU

(b7c)
(b7d)

Bureau authority is requested to interview [REDACTED]

He will be informed we have received allegations implicating him in this and other Caribbean ventures. It is anticipated that during the ensuing discussion some opening will occur permitting questioning relative to instant conspiracy.

(b7c)

Bureau authority is also requested to interview [REDACTED] as it is felt his [REDACTED] render him susceptible to a low-key approach concerning the conspiracy. Interview

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NY 2-623

(b7c) [redacted] would also be initiated with a discussion of MASFERRER's recent operations and their ramifications. Since instant conspiracy was never brought to a logical conclusion, it is felt [redacted] might not feel obligated to protect his fellow subjects.

The NYO feels it will be eventually necessary to thoroughly interview all subjects in this matter, but requested interviews appear most logical at present utilizing the MASFERRER information as an opening.

Should [redacted] implicate other of the conspirators, Bureau authority will be immediately requested to interview those thus singled out.

LEAD

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Miami is requested to advise the NYO whether identification of individuals arrested with MASFERRER and/or subsequent interviews conducted of them reveal any connection with instant conspiracy.

Information copies of this airtel are furnished the Newark and San Juan Offices in view of their prior interest in this matter.

1/12/67

airtel

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Gale
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Solomon
1 - Mr. Nasca

To: SAC, New York (2-623)

From: Director, FBI (2-1954)

[REDACTED] et al
NEUTRALITY MATTERS - CUBA
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ReNYairtel 1/6/67 requesting authority to interview

Authority is granted for New York to interview **[REDACTED]**
as proposed in reairtel. Take appropriate
care during these interviews so that the original source in
this matter will not be compromised.

No additional pertinent information concerning
[REDACTED] was located in Bufiles.

Submit results in form suitable for dissemination.

1 - Miami (2-395)
1 - Newark
1 - San Juan

1 - 2-1632 (Masferrer)

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NOTE: See Wannall to Sullivan memorandum dated 1/11/67,
captioned as above, and prepared by VHN:js.

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Date: 1/18/67

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(Priority)A I R T E L

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1954)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-395) (RUC)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] ET AL (b7c)

NM - CUBA
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(OO: New York)ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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Re New York airtel 1/6/67, requesting that Miami advise whether identification of individuals arrested with ROLANDO MASFERRER and/or subsequent interviews of them revealed any connection with the alleged conspiracy.

The Miami office did not interview any of the participants in the attempted Haitian invasion. U. S. Customs, Miami, made available a list of those arrested by Customs on 1/2/67, at Cocoa Plum Beach in the Florida Keys.

④ - Bureau (RM)
① - 2-1622 (Rolando Masferrer)

3 - New York (2-623) (RM)
(1 - 105-38120) (R. Masferrer)

2 - Miami
(1 - 2-156) (R. Masferrer)

(b7c) [REDACTED] jhk
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DATE 6-26-88 [initials]

Approved: [initials]
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(b7c) A review of this list of names, which is set out in a letterhead memorandum dated 1/10/67, a copy of which was designated for the New York office file on ROLANDO MASFERRER, reflects only one name, in addition to MASFERRER himself, which could logically be suspected of a connection with [REDACTED] and this conspiracy. [REDACTED]

(b7c)
(b7d) A review of Miami files reveals that [REDACTED] was involved with Father JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES (NY file 100-69212) in 8/64 in Haitian revolutionary activity. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ROLANDO MASFERRER was also involved in that operation, as was [REDACTED]

referred
(b7c) In view of [REDACTED] arms selling activity, it is logical to presume that [REDACTED] and possibly [REDACTED] were the source of arms, etc. for Father GEORGES and ROLANDO MASFERRER in their most recent activity.

(b7c) It is believed likely that ROLANDO MASFERRER receives a "kickback" from the people with whom he deals for arms, [REDACTED] This possibility may be worthy of consideration by the New York office in connection with interview with [REDACTED]

On 1/12/67, WALLACE SHANLEY, Assistant Agent in Charge, Enforcement, U. S. Customs, Miami, advised that based on the limited interviews conducted by Customs, no information was developed linking the MASFERRER-Father GEORGES operation with any other operation.

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Date: 1/18/67

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, DENVER (105-3415) (RUC)

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA
RA - HAITI - CUBA
NM

Re Denver letter and letterhead memorandum dated 1/3/67, and Bureau airtel dated 1/13/67.

(b7d) The identity of [REDACTED] mentioned in referenced letterhead memorandum is [REDACTED]

- 3-Bureau (RM)
4-New York (RM)
(1 - 105-6797 ST. GEORGE)
(1 - 105-69212 FATHER GEORGES)
(1 - 105-83509 SERRANO)
(1 - 105-38120)

1-Miami (RM)

1-Denver

(b7c) [REDACTED] pmb

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Date: JAN 18/67

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(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-95677) ATTENTION:
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FROM: SAC, MIAMI (105-1597) (P)

HAITIAN SITUATION

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LHM captioned and dated as above.Copies are being furnished to interested
offices for their information, inasmuch as individuals
from the localities covered by these offices were
among those apprehended by U. S. Customs at Coco Plum
Beach, Florida, on 1/2/67.Copies are being furnished to 111th M. I.
Gp., and to U. S. Customs, Miami, Region II, and Key West,
who have expressed an interest in receiving copy of this
memorandum.

- 5 - Bureau (Enc. 9) (RM)
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 4 - New York (Enc. 4) (RM)
 (1 - 105-38120) (MASFERRER)
 (1 - 105-69212) (Fr. GEORGES)
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 (1 - 2-156) (MASFERRER) (1 - 105-10755) (VIXAMA)
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LHM classified ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ because it contains information from [REDACTED] a source of continuing value, disclosure of whose identity would be detrimental to the national defense.

REQUEST OF BUREAU

FBI Laboratory requested to search the National Stolen Property File for any information relating to weapons seized by U. S. Customs.

Upon receipt of any pertinent information relating to weapons and other materiel from the Bureau, U. S. Customs locally will be promptly advised.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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In Reply, Please Refer to
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MM 105-1597

Miami, Florida
January 19, 1967

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Re: HAITIAN SITUATION

As previously reported, United States Customs, Miami, late in the evening of January 2, 1967, arrested seventy-six individuals who were members of a group headed by ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, which group planned to invade Haiti. The group was arrested at Coco Plum Beach, Florida.

On January 10, 1967, Mr. STANLEY SCHACHTER, Agent, United States Customs Agency Service, 621 N. E. 1st Avenue, Miami, Florida, furnished an inventory of weapons, ammunition, and other equipment seized by United States Customs at Coco Plum Beach on January 2, 1967.

Following is the inventory of items seized at a residence at Coco Plum Estates, Florida:

60 mm. mortar, complete with base plates:

3586 *NR*

5763 *NR*

25105 *NR*

25402 *NR*

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65032 *NR*

92461 *NR*

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Re: HAITIAN SITUATION

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It will be noted that during the search of the residence above, among the items seized was a Colt AR-15 rifle, caliber .223, Serial Number SP 00258. Located on the boat Sandona were the following AR-15's: Serial Numbers 4744, 04815, 04918, and 05520, NR

(b7c) It is to be further noted that investigation was previously conducted by this office relating to the activities of HENRI VIXAMA and a group associated with him who also planned an invasion of Haiti. This group was active in the Miami area in December, 1965, and their efforts were terminated after a seizure of a large amount of arms and equipment by the Hialeah, Florida, Police Department, on December 21, 1965. Information relating to the AR-15 rifles utilized by VIXAMA and his associates is included in reports of Special Agent [redacted] dated December 20 and December 23, 1965, at Miami, and reports of Special Agent [redacted] dated December 21 and December 28, 1965, at New York, under the HENRI VIXAMA caption.

The following is a summary of this information:

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, DALLAS (2-86) P

SUBJECT: ROLANDO MASFERRER = 2-1622
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NEUTRALITY MATTERS
OO: MiamiRAIMUNDO MASFERRER
IS - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS
OO: DallasEnclosed for the Bureau are nine copies and for Miami
two copies of letterhead memorandum in captioned matters.There is a file in Dallas concerning RAIMUNDO
MASFERRER and the Bureau and Miami will be advised of the
results of investigation in that matter.

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CNI/OSI/ACSI/JWY/CUSTOMS/DIA/

receiving slip for info.

Date 1-30-67 by R.H.S./bkm

MIAMI:

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA: Will contact logical informants
concerning RAIMUNDO MASFERRER and advise Dallas of the results
of these checks. Will also for background information in the
Dallas case, furnish a summary of known activities of ROLANDO
MASFERRER.

- 3 - Bureau (Enclosures 2) (RM)
- 2 - Miami (Enclosures 2) (RM)
- 3 - Dallas (2 - 2-86)

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DALLAS:

AT DALLAS, TEXAS: Will review INS file concerning RAIMUNDO MASFERRER and contact appropriate sources for other information.

INFORMANTS:

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Dallas, Texas

January 25, 1967

ROLANDO MASFERRER
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA; HAITI
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

RAIMUNDO MASFERRER
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

The January 13, 1967 issue of the "Dallas Morning News", daily newspaper, on page six, Section B, had a feature article concerning Raimundo Masferrer, Cuban refugee who resides in Dallas, and contained comments concerning Masferrer's brother, Rolando Masferrer, a Cuban refugee who lives in Miami, Florida.

A machine copy of this newspaper article is attached hereto.

(b7d)

Raimundo Masferrer is the brother of Rolando Masferrer, resides at Dallas, where he is employed by the City Park Department. Rolando Masferrer owned, before Castro, a newspaper and it was located in the small town of Santiago de Cuba, Cuba, and was a Senator in the Cuban legislature. He had the reputation of being a gangster in Cuba. He was in fact reportedly the leader of a gang known as the Los Tigres de Masferrer (Masferrer's tigers).

Attachment 1

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] It is apparent from the article that the reporter did interview him following the receipt of the original information.

[REDACTED] Raimundo Masferrer as well as several other Cubans were collecting arms and sending them to Miami with the intent that they should be used for a possible raid on Cuba. He stated that these arms were being sent to the address of Mrs. Rolando Masferrer in Miami. He stated that on occasion money was sent in the place of arms.

(b7d) [REDACTED] when Rolando Masferrer was recently arrested in Florida for his alleged participation in the purchasing of arms for possible raids on Cuba, several Cuban refugees in Dallas had collected a total of \$5,000 to be used in paying the bail bond of Rolando Masferrer, who was incarcerated. He stated that the leaders of this collection group had been Francisco Ieyva, Raimundo Masferrer and Manuel Alfonso, all of whom are Cuban refugees who reside in Dallas. [REDACTED] it was his understanding that the Haiti operation had for its purpose the overthrow of the Duvalier government which would result in affording Cuban revolutionaries a base of operations to proceed in raids against Cuba.

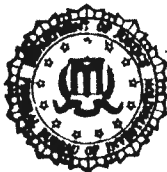
[REDACTED] the Cuban refugees in the United States still lack a leader in their attempt to overthrow the Cuban government. He stated that Batista, the former President of Cuba, would be in Miami about February 12, 1967, to meet with prominent Cuban refugees to confer on future refugee attempts to overthrow Castro. He stated that it was said that Batista had promised to finance such future efforts in the amount of several million dollars.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] that he knew of no arms collections which were being made in Dallas by Cuban refugees. [REDACTED] that he had received information that a small group of Cuban refugees, which included Nestor Castellanos, General

(b7d) Elberto Del Rio Chaviano, Francisco Leyva, Raimundo Masferrer and (First Name Unknown) Alonso had recently been calling various Cuban refugees in Dallas in an attempt to collect money to be applied in payment of the bond of Rolando Masferrer, who was incarcerated in Miami on a Federal charge. [REDACTED] did not know how much money had been collected by the Dallas Cuban refugees.

[REDACTED] there are Cuban refugees, who in the hope of some day seeing successful revolution against Castro, constantly seek publicity to keep the issue alive. He stated that Rolando Masferrer has a very poor reputation among Cubans in general as being dishonest and corrupt. He said Raimundo Masferrer does not have this bad reputation. He stated that as far as he knows, Raimundo Masferrer has never been a leader in any anti-Castro movements.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Dallas, Texas

January 25, 1967

Title	ROLANDO MASFERRER; RAIMUNDO MASFERRER
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA - HAITI; INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
Reference	Letterhead memorandum dated January 25, 1967, at Dallas, Texas.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Cuban Refugee Saves for Guns

A Dallas resident with a son and daughter in college here said this week he spends non-working hours collecting money to buy arms to be used by Cuban refugees to overthrow the Castro regime.

"I personally have not bought any guns," 46-year-old Raimundo Masferrer said through an interpreter. "But I have given \$1 here, \$5 there. And I have collected money for others. The guns are being bought."

Masferrer, who came to Dallas shortly after he fled Cuba in 1959, said his brother and other refugees in Miami, Fla. have black-market connections that have supplied "more than one million dollars worth of equipment" to be used in an eventual invasion.

Among the stock of war supplies, he said, are three boats and five combat airplanes. Masferrer said he didn't know the makes of the boats or planes, but "they are now in the Miami area."

The Cuban refugee, who lives at 2336 Matterhorn and works as a mechanic for the City Park Department, said he and friends in the United States have decided not to "wait out Castro."

He acknowledged there have been indications that Castro is growing weary of his role as dictator, and he said he knows for a certainty that the island government "is broke."

"But we have to move now," he said, "to free relatives who are still in prison."

Masferrer said six members of his family are now in Cuban prisons. Six, he said, were shot by Castro forces in 1959.

For the time being, however, the Dallas refugee has no problem identifying here in the United States. His brother, Raimundo Masferrer, 48, former publisher of the Havana daily, *Time* in Cuba, is in prison in Miami for his role in a Jan. 3 attempt to overthrow the government of Haiti.

His bond has been set at \$10,000, and so far Masferrer has been the sole publisher of a fund drive to free his brother.

"We had a meeting in my house last night," he said. "We raised \$250. We will raise the rest."

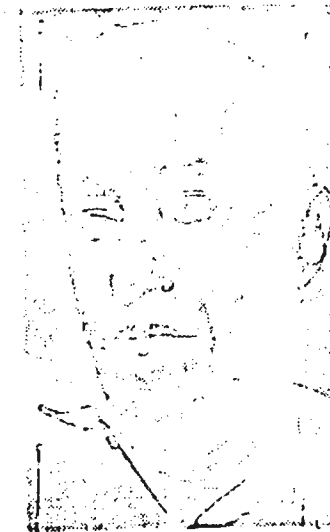
Why were Cuban refugees plotting to overthrow Haiti?

Masferrer explained it this way: One group of Cubans living in Miami (he said more than 200 were involved) decided the time was right for a military move. They had made contact with a group in Haiti who wanted to overthrow their president. The refugees agreed to help in a military overthrow if Haiti later could be used as home base for an invasion of Cuba.

The plan, of course, failed. Federal agents caught Masferrer's brother just as he was boarding a boat. They also caught a number of the Cubans involved and confiscated arms the group had collected for seven years.

But Masferrer, discussing the chain of events Tuesday, appeared undaunted by the refugees' plight.

He estimated that 90 per cent of the Cubans living here are willing to take up arms against Castro's forces. And he predicted that a call for invasion will come as soon as a second attempt can be put together—maybe within the year.



—Dallas News Staff Photo.

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General

February 6, 1967

Director, FBI

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1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Solomon

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, ET AL.
HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

EX-115

Reference is made to your letter of January 30, 1967, wherein you requested to be furnished all statements, oral, written, or otherwise recorded, pertinent to captioned matter which have been obtained by this Bureau

This matter has been referred to appropriate field offices of this Bureau for the necessary handling. As the material you have requested is received, it will be forwarded to you promptly.

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2 - Miami (2-156) (Enclosure)
2 - New York (105-38120) (Enclosure)
2 - WFO (2-270) (Enclosure)

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NOTE FOR SACs, MIAMI, NEW YORK, AND WFO:

Enclosed for each addressee is single copy of AAG Yeagley's letter of 1/30/67 which is self-explanatory.

Promptly review all records of your office pertinent to this matter which, in addition to those concerning Rolando Masferrer, will include but not be limited to your files captioned "Haitian Revolutionary Activities, IS - Haiti"; "Alex Wilson, Neutrality Matters"; and "Mitchell Livingston Wer Bell, III, IS - Haiti, Neutrality Matters." You are to locate the original recording of each interview of the persons named (FD-302, memorandum to file, your file copy of airtel or outgoing teletype or by whatever means originally recorded). Submit to Bureau two Xerox copies of each such document. Do not submit original. Your cover communication is to set forth your recommendations as to irrelevant material to be excised from each document submitted.

Handle expeditiously to enable review at Bureau and prompt submission to Department.

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley

NOTE: On 1/2/67, Bureau of Customs arrested 76 Cuban and Haitian exiles and American adventurers at Marathon, Florida, as they prepared to launch armed invasion of Haiti. Investigation handled by Bureau of Customs from outset, while we followed developments from intelligence standpoint promptly furnishing Customs and interested agencies with all pertinent information received through our sources.

Department now advises it is currently evaluating evidence which will be available for possible prosecution of leaders of this group for violation of neutrality statutes. Department has asked us to furnish all statements, however, recorded, which we have obtained from [REDACTED] who have (b7d) provided us with information in this matter and whom the Department is considering as potential witnesses.

We are instructing the appropriate field offices to furnish us copies of the originals since submission to the Department of the originals at this time could unnecessarily complicate the chain of evidence should such documents be introduced in court.

1/31/67

airtel

1 - Mr. Masca
1 - Mr. Solomon

To: SACs, Dallas
Miami

From: Director, FBI (62-70441)

FULGENCIO BATISTA
IS - CUBA

ReDLairtel 1/25/67 captioned "Rolando Masferrer, IS-Cuba; Haiti, Neutrality Matters," and "Raimundo Masferrer, IS-Cuba, Neutrality Matters," with enclosure. The enclosure contained information indicating that subject, the former President of Cuba, would be in Miami about 2/12/67.

Since Bureau had received no previous information to this effect that matter was discussed with [redacted] Department of State. He advised on 1/27/67 that State Department had no information indicating that the subject might be coming to the U. S.

(b7c) Dallas maintain contact with the informant in this matter and advise the Bureau of any additional pertinent information indicating Batista is coming to the U. S. Miami alert logical sources and immediately advise the Bureau of any information indicating Batista might come to this country.

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The information to SA [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 2/10/67

FROM : *JH* SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS;
ET AL
HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

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Re Bureau letter to Mr. J. WALTER YEAGLEY, Assistant Attorney General, dated 2/6/67, with copies for Miami, New York and Washington Field.

A review of the pertinent files in the Miami Office reflects that the only communication recording an interview with [REDACTED] was set out in [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] contained information concerning [REDACTED]

As Miami was not actively investigating the MASFERRER case in view of the primary jurisdiction of Customs, no interviews were held with [REDACTED]

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With regard to the request of Mr. YEAGLEY
that he be advised as to the "T" symbols assigned

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Date: 7/28/66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1948)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (105-11409) (P)

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OO: Miami

Re Washington Field airtels 7/8 and 22/66, and
Washington Field teletype 7/25/66.

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- 5 - Bureau (RM)
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[REDACTED] there is allegedly a training camp established in connection with this operation located 60 to 70 miles north of Miami. This could be in the area of Belle Glade, Fla., location of a number of Cuban-owned sugar plantations. And a logical site for such a camp. [REDACTED]

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Apparently, there will be no significant developments for at least ten days to two weeks. Miami will maintain close liaison with Customs, and Bureau will be furnished pertinent info, as obtained.

Info copies furnished Atlanta, New York and Washington Field. One extra copy being sent Bureau in event related info previously transmitted to Legat, Santo Domingo, in view of possible interest.

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1 - Mr. Solomon

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To: SAC, Miami (2-156)

From: Director, FBI (2-1622) - 374

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, ET AL.
HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

ReBulet to Assistant Attorney General Yeagley,
2/8/67 with copies to each addressee. Re also Miami letter
to the Bureau in reply 2/10/67 with enclosures.

It is noted that the Xerox copies of Miami airtel
7/28/66 enclosed with referenced Miami letter have had portions
blanked out in the Xeroxing process. Since the original
document with all its markings and notations could be required
to be produced in court, we will want to reply to the Department's
request of 1/30/67 by furnishing an exact duplicate of the
original recording as it appears in our files. All markings,
front and back, should appear. Resubmit two Xerox copies of
your enclosure which are to be exact and complete copies of
the original.

1 - New York (105-38120)
1 - WFO (2-270)

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NOTE: Department considering possible Neutrality Act
prosecution of leaders of an exile attempt to invade Haiti,
thwarted by arrest of 76 persons at Marathon, Florida, 1/2/67
by Bureau of Customs. ~~There~~ Customs case from outset, but we
followed ~~Developments~~ from intelligence stand point, promptly
furnishing Customs and interested agencies with all pertinent
information we received through our sources. Department
has asked us to furnish all pertinent statements, however
recorded, which we obtained from [redacted] being considered
as possible witnesses. Appropriate offices have been instructed
to forward copies of their original recordings for submission
to Department. Originals not being requested at this time
to avoid unnecessary complication in chain of evidence should
such documents be introduced in court.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: FEB 16 1967

FROM : J.E.M. SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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RA - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

ReBulet to Mr. J. WALTER YEAGLEY, Assistant Attorney General, dated 2/6/67, captioned "ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, ET AL, HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES", enclosing letter of Mr. J. WALTER YEAGLEY to the Director dated 1/30/67, captioned "ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, ET AL, HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES".

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are two xerox copies each of New York memoranda dated 9/7/66, 10/28/66, and 12/7/66, all captioned "ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, Internal Security - Haiti - Cuba, Registration Act - Haiti - Cuba, Neutrality Matters".

The New York Office reviewed additional files concerning Haitian Revolutionary Activities and the enclosed New York memoranda are the only ones of interest which concern information furnished to the New York Office by

2 - Bureau (ENCL. 6) (RM)
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[REDACTED] relative to the activities of MASFERRER
and his attempted invasion of Haiti.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 2/16/67

FROM : SAC, WFO (2-270)(C)

SUBJECT:

ROLANDO MASFERRER, ET AL,
HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
OC: mm

ReBulet to Mr. J. WALTER YEAGLEY, Assistant Attorney General, 2/6/67, captioned as above with copy for MM, NY and WFO.

Below listed enclosures constitute all info originating from WFO search of appropriate files. In all instances the WFO source is [REDACTED]

Info furnished by [REDACTED] was in its entirety furnished to Bureau under the caption "ALEX WILSON, aka, IS - HAITI, NM". ALEX WILSON, subsequently identified as MITCHELL LIVINGSTON WER BELL, III, Bufile 62-108665, WFOfile 2-309.

A careful review indicates no need to excise material with the exception of item 5 below.

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1 - Mr. Solomon

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To: SAC, New York (105-38120)

From: Director, FBI (2-1622)

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, ET AL
HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

ReNYlet 2/16/67 with enclosures under the caption of the Masferrer investigation. Re also Buairtel to Miami 2/17/67 captioned as above.

Recheck enclosures to your 2/16/67 letter to insure that they conform to instructions in reBuairtel.

Advise Bureau by return airtel which is to either enclose additional Xerox copies showing all markings on originals in your files or is to assure Bureau that previously submitted Xeroxes are in conformance with instructions in reBuairtel.

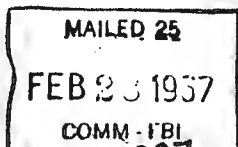
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NOTE:

Department considering prosecution of subject and others for neutrality violations growing out of Bureau of Customs case where 76 persons were arrested 1/27/67 while preparing to embark on armed invasion of Haiti. Department has requested us to furnish all pertinent statements made to Bureau by [redacted] Since documents from our files could be required to be introduced in court under Jencks Law, we wish to furnish Department at this time with exact copies of those documents as they appear in our files. It appears Xeroxes submitted by NY have had certain portions blanked out.

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1 - Mr. Solomon

To: SAC, Miami (2-156)

From: Director, FBI (2-1632)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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The press on 2/28/67 reported seven persons were indicted by Federal grand jury, Miami, 2/27/67 on charges of conspiring to invade Haiti, growing out of Customs investigation of subject and his associates which culminated in mass arrests at Marathon, Florida, 1/2/67.

Named in press as indicted were the subject, Father Jean Baptiste Georges, Mitchell Livingston Wer Bell, III, Julio Aton Costanzo Palau, Colonel Rene Jaures Leon, Antonio Leon Rojas and Martin Francis Xavier Casey.

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1 - 62-108665 (Wer Bell)

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Airtel to SAC, Miami
Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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Director, FBI (2-1622)

1 - Mr. Solomon

**ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, ET AL.
HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES**

ReMMlet 2/10/67 and Miami airtel 2/20/67.

In response to the Department's request for statements obtained by the Bureau from [REDACTED] in connection with his possible appearance as a witness in captioned matter, Bureau was obliged to provide copies of Miami airtel 7/28/66 captioned "Alex Wilson, aka, Neutrality Matters" as furnished by your office.

Prior to forwarding these copies the security classification of "Secret, Group I," was added because of information appearing on page two. Our cover letter alerted the Department to the sensitivity of this matter.

This is for your information. No marking concerning this is to be made on your 7/28/66 airtel in file.

1 - Miami [REDACTED] C

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, ET AL
HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

ReBuairtel to NY, 2/24/67, captioned as above.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are two Xerox
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Date: 2/20/67

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

RE: ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, ET AL
HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, WFO (2-270) (RUC)

ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, ET AL
HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General

March 7, 1967

Director, FBI

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DATE 8-26-81

1 - Mail Room
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Solomon

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ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, ET AL.
HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

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Reference is made to your letter of January 30,
1967, wherein you requested to be furnished all statements,
oral, written or otherwise recorded, pertinent to captioned
matter which have been obtained by this Bureau from
[redacted] Attention
is also invited to our letter in reply dated February 6, 1967.

Enclosed herewith are two Xerox copies each of 14
documents which comprise the complete record of all pertinent
statements obtained by this Bureau from [redacted]

We have had no contact whatsoever with
[redacted] with regard to the captioned matter.

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The enclosures are exact copies of the original
documents as they appear in the files of this Bureau and in
each instance represent the first recording of the pertinent
information set forth.

Each document contains information which does not
appear to be relevant to your request and which it may be
desirable to excise prior to the document being made available
to the defense in response to a demand pursuant to Title 18,
United States Code, Section 3500. Much of the information is
of an administrative nature, comprising file numbers, titles,
routing designations and other markings needed in the internal
handling of these documents. Also, certain of the enclosures
contain details of investigative procedures and other data
clearly not the basis for direct testimony on the part of

Some documents also set
forth information received from persons other than these potential
witnesses. To assist you in this regard, one copy of each of
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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley

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The enclosures have been numbered to correspond with the numbers appearing in the following list to facilitate their identification.

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley

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NOTE:

On 1/2/67 Bureau of Customs arrested 76 Cuban and Haitian exiles and American adventurers at Marathon, Florida, as they prepared to launch armed invasion of Haiti. Investigation handled by Bureau of Customs from the outset while we followed developments from intelligence standpoint only, promptly furnishing Customs and interested agencies with all pertinent information received through our sources.

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Department advised it was evaluating evidence which would be available for possible prosecutive action against leaders of this group and asked us to furnish all statements, however recorded, which we had obtained from [REDACTED] who have provided us with information in this matter and whom the Department is considering as potential witnesses.

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley

NOTE CONTINUED:

On 2/27/67 Federal grand jury, Miami, Florida, returned indictments against seven of the leaders, including Rolando Masferrer and Mitchell Wer Bell mentioned herein, charging neutrality violations.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

IS - HAITI - CUBA

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No other info of possible pertinence was located in these files.

U.S. Customs Agent [REDACTED] advised on 3/7/67, that there are no other individuals in this case re whom prosecution could be expected.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622) DATE: APR 4 1967

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (P*)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

Re NY letter, 1/31/67, captioned as above.

(b7c) [REDACTED] INS, NYC, advised on 3/21/67, that INS, NYC, had no further information concerning developments in Miami regarding pending prosecution of MASFERRER for violation of the Neutrality Law. [REDACTED] stated that it was his understanding that INS would not take any action against MASFERRER until the pending prosecution in Miami is concluded.

MASFERRER has been in the Miami area since December, 1966, and currently is awaiting prosecution for a violation of the Neutrality Law.

Since there are no outstanding leads in this investigation in the NY Division, this case is being placed in a pending inactive status in the NYO pending results of prosecution of MASFERRER in Miami, Florida.

Miami is requested to furnish NY with any information relative to the prosecution of MASFERRER and any action contemplated or taken by INS in Miami after the conclusion of his trial for violation of the Neutrality Law.

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Date: 5/5/67

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA
OO: Miami

(b7c) [REDACTED] INS, Miami, advised on 5/5/67 that INS has granted subject permission to travel by automobile, most direct means, to New York City. He is to leave Miami Monday, 5/8/67, to arrive in New York Tuesday or Wednesday. In New York he will stay at 32-42 42nd Street, Apartment 3, Astoria, New York, telephone 545-2807. He is to contact District Director, INS, Miami, on arrival there. He expects to remain in New York only a few days and is to contact INS there for permission to return to Miami.

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Approved: [REDACTED]
57 MAY 11 1967 Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: MAY 29 1967

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (P)

SUBJECT:

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 7/28/81 BY 2842PmwlBAIDms

ReNYlet, dated 4/4/67, and Miami airtel, dated 5/5/67, captioned as above.

(b7c) [REDACTED] INS, NYC, advised on 5/10/67, that ROLANDO MASFERRER appeared, on that date, at INS, NYC, and indicated that he would be in the NY area for several days to straighten out personal matters, before traveling back to Miami.

ROLANDO MASFERRER telephonically contacted the NYO on 5/12/67, at which time, he stated that he had returned to NY with the permission of INS in Miami, to straighten out personal matters and make arrangements for his daughter to return to Florida with him. MASFERRER stated that he expected to return to Miami in about two weeks, where he would reside permanently.

MASFERRER contacted the NYO again on 5/19/67, and advised that he was returning to Miami for permanent residence on either 5/23/67 or 5/24/67. MASFERRER stated that he had taken care of the personal matters for which he had made the trip to NY, and hoped to be back in the Miami area by 5/26/67. MASFERRER stated that his wife already is residing in Miami, and that he, at the present time, is unemployed, but is in the process of writing a book. MASFERRER further stated that trial date in his case has been set for 11/6/67.

(b7c) [REDACTED] INS, NYC, on 5/22/67, advised that ROLANDO MASFERRER appeared at INS, NYC, on 5/22/67, and was granted permission to return to Miami, Florida, and anticipated his return would be on either 5/23/67 or 5/24/67.

- 2 - Bureau (RM)
- 2 - Miami (2-156) (RM)
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Miami is requested to verify MASFERRER's residence and employment, if feasible, in order that an FD 128 may be submitted by the NYO, making Miami the Office of Origin in this case.

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1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Wick
1 - Mr. Sullivan

Mr. W. C. Sullivan

March 15, 1967
1 - Mr. McAndrews
1 - Mr. Roxanus
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Solomon

W. R. Wannall

MITCHELL LIVINGSTON WER BELL, III
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI
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(b-1) [REDACTED]

Investigation of activities of a group of Haitian and Cuban exiles in efforts to mount an armed invasion of Haiti from Florida was intensively pursued by Customs for a six-month period and resulted in arrest of 76 persons at Marathon, Florida, January 2, 1967, on charges of violation of Federal neutrality statutes. Seven of the leaders were indicted by Federal Grand Jury at Miami, February 27, 1967.

Bureau conducted no active investigation in this matter but maintained close liaison with Customs, keeping Customs and interested agencies promptly advised of all pertinent information we obtained. Wer Bell, known to us to have been deeply involved in plans and preparations of the exile group, particularly in the obtaining of weapons, was not among those arrested on January 2, 1967. Coverage in press has announced Wer Bell's indictment but specific charge against him not publicized to date. We had received no information from Customs or Department to indicate Wer Bell was to be subject of prosecution.

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General
Director, FBI

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Wick
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. McAndrews
- March 20, 1967
- 1 - Mr. Rozamus
- 1 - Mr. Wansall
- 1 - Mr. Solomon

MITCHELL LIVINGSTON WEBB SKILL, III
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI
NEUTRALITY MATTER - HAITI

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According to reports in the press, captioned individual was one of seven persons indicted by a Federal Grand Jury at Miami, Florida, on February 27, 1967, based on involvement in an attempt by Haitian and Cuban exiles and others to mount an armed invasion of Haiti from Florida in January, 1967.

Investigation which led to the above indictments was handled entirely by the Bureau of Customs, Department of the Treasury. The FBI conducted no investigation in that matter but maintained close liaison with the Bureau of Customs, promptly furnishing that Bureau all pertinent information we obtained.

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In view of the pending prosecutive action which has been instituted concerning Mitchell Wer Bell, the above information is being furnished to you at this time. We contemplate no further action with regard to this particular matter in the absence of a specific request.

NOTE:

See memorandum Wannall to Mr. W. C. Sullivan, this caption, dated 3/17/67, prepared by AHS:bff.

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Date:

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Transmit the following in _____
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TO: Director, FBI (105-95677)

FROM: SAC, Miami (105-1597) (P)

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
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ReBuairtel 4/7/67.

ReBuairtel 3/1/67; ReBulet 3/7/67 and MM airtel
3/9/67 all under ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS caption.Correspondence relating to instant prosecution
has previously been handled under the MASFERRER caption.On 4/11/67, STANLEY SCHACHTER, U.S. Customs,
Miami, advised that none of the defendants in instant
matter have pled guilty.On 4/11/67, [REDACTED] USA's Office, (b7c)
Southern District of Florida, advised that at arraign-
ment held 3/17/67 in USDC, Miami, ROLANDO MASFERRER
ROJAS, Father JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES, JULIO ATON,
COSTANZO PALAU, and MARTIN CASEY pled not guilty to
the charges against them. On the same date the charges

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(1-105-156288) (RENE LEON)
4 - New York (1-105-38120) (MASFERRER)
(1-105-81362) (RENE LEON)
(1-105-69212) (FR. GEORGES)
6 - Miami (1-2-156) (MASFERRER)
(1-105-9215) (FR. GEORGES)
(1-105-11950) (RENE LEON)
(1-105-10938) (WER BELL)
(1-105-7151) (JULIO ATON)
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against MITCHELL WER BELL were dropped by USA's Office due to lack of sufficient evidence against him.

At an arraignment on 4/7/67, ANTONIO ROJAS pled not guilty to instant charges.

(b7c) [REDACTED] further advised that RENE LEON did not appear at arraignment on 3/17/67 but called from New York and said he could not come due to a blizzard. His appearance was continued until 4/7/67. When he did not appear on 4/7/67 a bench warrant was issued for his immediate arrest and his bail was revoked. The USM at New York has been sent the warrant for LEON's arrest.

(b7c) [REDACTED] said (trial is set for 11/6/67.)

Bureau will be promptly advised of further developments.

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Date 6/13/67

To:

☒ Director

BU FILE 2-1622

Att.: DOM. INTEL.

☐ SAC (R M)

Title ROLANDO ARCADIO
MASFERRER ROJAS

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☐ Supv. NEUTRALITY MATTERS

☐ Agent

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☐ Clerk

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☐ Acknowledge

☐ Assign Reassign

☐ Bring file

☐ Call me

☐ Correct

☐ Deadline

☐ Deadline passed

☐ Delinquent

☐ Discontinue

☐ Expedite

☐ File

☐ For information

☐ Handle

☐ Initial & return

☐ Leads need attention

☐ Return with explanation or notation as to action taken.

☐ Open Case

☐ Prepare lead cards

☐ Prepare tickler 2-1622-388

☐ Recharge serial **NOT RECORDED**

☐ Return assignment card **JUN 22 1967**

☐ Return file

☐ Return serials

☐ Search and return

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Attached herewith is letter dated 1/23/67 to the District Director of U. S. Customs, Miami, and an informant report translated from the Spanish language.

JUN 30 1967
F. A. FROHOSE
Miami

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P. O. Box 52-157
Biscayne Annex
Miami, Florida 33152
January 23, 1967

~~as marked~~

District Director of Customs
100 N. E. 7th Street
Miami, Florida 33132

Attention: Mr. [REDACTED] (b7c)

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for your information, pursuant to your recent telephonic request, is a Xerox copy of "The Official Communique of the Abraham Lincoln Battalion of Volunteers." This document, which appears to be a press release, is in Spanish and contains information which may be of interest to your current investigation of the activities of ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS and the 75 other individuals who were apprehended by Customs on January 2, 1967, at Coco Plum, Florida.

(b-1) | [REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

F. A. FROMBOSE
Special Agent in Charge

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- 2 - Addressee
① - Miami (105-1597)
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Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 6/28/67

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA
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NEUTRALITY MATTERS - HAITI

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Re Miami airtel 5/5/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of LHM concerning above captioned individual. Copies are being disseminated locally to the following agencies:

NISO, Charleston, S. C.
OSI, Robins AFB, Ga.
G-2, Ft. McPherson, Ga.
Cuban Affairs (State Dept.), Miami

Coast Guard, Miami
Customs, Miami
Customs, Region II
Customs, Key West, Fla.
Border Patrol, Miami
INS, Miami
USAFAD, Hialeah, Fla.

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Miami will continue to follow activities of MAS-FERRER through appropriate sources.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida
June 28, 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY-HAITI-CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT-HAITI-CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS-HAITI

It is noted that late in the evening of January 2, 1967, United States Customs, Miami, Florida, arrested 76 individuals who were members of a group headed by ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, which group allegedly planned to invade Haiti. Arrests were made at Coco Plum Beach, Florida.

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On February 28, 1967, the "Miami Herald", Miami, Florida daily newspaper, reported that ROLANDO MASFERRER and Father JEAN BAPTISTE GEORGES, along with five other individuals, had been indicted by the Federal Grand Jury

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in Miami, on February 27, 1967. They were charged with conspiring to launch an invasion of Haiti from the Florida Keys.

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Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

(b-1) [REDACTED]

(b7c) [REDACTED] Immigration and Naturalization Service, Miami, Florida, advised on May 5, 1967, that the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) has granted MASFERRER permission to travel by automobile, most direct means, to New York City. He is to leave Miami on Monday, May 8, 1967, to arrive in New York on Tuesday or Wednesday. In New York he will stay at 32-42 42nd Street, Apartment 3, Astoria, New York, telephone 545-2807. He is to contact District Director, INS, New York, on arrival there. He expects to remain in New York only a few days and is to contact INS there for permission to return to Miami.

(b7c) [REDACTED] INS, New York City, advised on May 10, 1967, that ROLANDO MASFERRER appeared on that date at INS, New York City, and indicated that he would be in the New York area for several days to straighten out personal matters before traveling back to Miami.

ROLANDO MASFERRER telephonically contacted the New York Office on May 12, 1967, at which time he stated that he had returned to New York with the permission of INS, Miami, to straighten out personal matters and make arrangements for his daughter to return to Florida with him. MASFERRER stated that he expected to return to Miami in about two weeks, where he would reside permanently.

MASFERRER contacted the New York Office again on May 19, 1967, and advised that he was returning to Miami for permanent residence on either May 23, 1967, or May 24,

Re: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

1967. MASFERRER stated that he had taken care of the personal matters for which he had made the trip to New York, and hoped to be back in the Miami area by May 26, 1967. MASFERRER stated that his wife already is residing in Miami, and that he, at the present time, is unemployed, but is in the process of writing a book. MASFERRER further stated that trial date in his case has been set for November 6, 1967.

(b7C) [REDACTED] INS, New York City, on May 22, 1967, advised that ROLANDO MASFERRER appeared at INS, New York City, on May 22, 1967, and was granted permission to return to Miami, Florida, and anticipated his return would be on either May 23, 1967 or May 24, 1967.

(b-1) [REDACTED]

On May 31, 1967, a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation [REDACTED]

(b7E) [REDACTED] the former residence of EMMET MASFERRER, deceased brother of ROLANDO. It was ascertained that ROLANDO MASFERRER had just returned from New York City and that he is not presently employed.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Miami, Florida
June 28, 1967

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Character INTERNAL SECURITY-HAITI-CUBA
REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES-HAITI-CUBA
Reference NEUTRALITY MATTERS-HAITI

is made to letterhead memorandum
dated and captioned as above at
Miami, Florida.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (Bufile -

2-1622)

DATE:

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FROM : SAC, New York (105-38120) (RUC)

SUBJECT: *nm* ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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NM

The captioned individual has been the subject of a security investigation by this office. The Miami Division has verified the permanent presence of the subject in its division as residing and working at the addresses listed below. The Miami Division is being considered the new office of origin.

Residence address 2368 S. W. 12th Street Miami, Florida
Business address Unemployed
Check the following applicable statements: ☐ This individual is the subject of a Security Index Card. (The Bureau is requested to make the appropriate changes in the Security Index at the Seat of Government. The _____ Division should affix the addresses indicated above and the appropriate case file number.) ☐ This subject is tabbed for Detcom. ☐ This subject was carried as a Key Figure or Top Functionary. ☐ Handwriting specimens have been furnished to the Bureau. ☐ A photograph has been furnished to the Bureau. ☐ A security flash notice has been placed with the Identification Division and a copy has been designated therefor.
The following pertinent items are being forwarded to the new Office of Origin with its copies of this letter: ☐ Security Index Cards ☒ Serials (specify) Miami in receipt of all pertinent information. ☐ Photograph of subject (check appropriate item listed below) ☐ Negative and three copies of most recent or best likeness photograph. ☐ None available. ☐ Previously furnished.

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To: SAC, Miami (2-156)

From: Director, FBI (2-1622) - 392

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA
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NEUTRALITY MATTERS - HAITI

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)
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Re Miami letter and letterhead memorandum
dated 6/28/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten (10) copies
of a letterhead memorandum regarding the current activities
of the subject. One extra copy is being furnished for
transmittal to Legat, Santo Domingo, in view of their
possible interest.

Copies of the letterhead memorandum are being
disseminated locally to INS [redacted] Coast Guard, Customs, (refused)
Border Patrol, USAFAD and State Department (Cuban Affairs),
all Miami, Florida, and to 111th M.I. Group, Orlando,
Florida, Customs, Key West, Florida, NISO, Charleston,
S. C., and OSI, Robins AFB, Georgia.

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4 Bureau (Encs. 10) (RM)
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2 - Miami

Copy to: CIA/State/DAO (b-1) San Domingo
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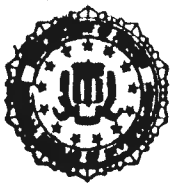
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Miami will continue to follow the activities
of MASFERRER through appropriate informants.

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Miami, Florida
August 18, 1967

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS - HAITI

REC 27

It is noted that in the late evening of January 2, 1967, U. S. Customs at Miami, Florida, arrested 76 individuals who were members of a group headed by Rolando Masferrer Rojas. This group was allegedly planning to invade Haiti. These arrests were made at Coco Plum Beach, Florida.

(b-1) On [REDACTED] who is generally aware of the activities in the Cuban colony in Miami, advised that an article had appeared in the June 15, 1967, issue of the Cuban Government newspaper "Granma," published in Havana, Cuba, which reported that according to an article in a Venezuelan newspaper, Haitian dictator Francois Duvalier was pressuring the American Government to prevent the well-known Cuban gangster, Rolando Masferrer, from going to the Dominican Republic.

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Miami, Florida
August 18, 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 2-156

Title ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-95677)
 FROM: SAC, MIAMI (105-1597) (P)
 SUBJECT: HAITIAN SITUATION

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of a letterhead memorandum in captioned matter.

Copies are being furnished locally to INS, State Department (Cuban Affairs), Border Patrol, Customs (Miami, Region II and Key West), Coast Guard, 11th M. I. Group, NISO, OSI, [REDACTED] and USAFAD.

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[REDACTED] a source of continuing value disclosure of whose
identity would be detrimental to the national defense.

LEADS

MIAMI

At Miami, Florida:

1. Will maintain contact with [REDACTED] and other informants cognizant in Haitian matters for further data re instant situation.
2. Will attempt to identify Captain (FNU) WHITE who is allegedly involved with FR. GEORGES in attempting to purchase a large boat.

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Miami, Florida
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Re: HAITIAN SITUATION

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Miami, Florida
August 30, 1967

Title HAITIAN SITUATION

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Reference Memorandum dated and captioned
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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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Lead set out in re Buairtel was covered and
results furnished by LHM dated 8/30/67, captioned
"Alleged Plan for Haitian Invasion From Boat 'Yipee'",
Bufile 105-95677.

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Approved: FF/1002
Special Agent in Charge

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TO : Director, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : SAC, Miami (2-156) (P)

DATE: 10/12/67

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA
RA - HAITI - CUBA
NM - HAITI

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Re Miami airtel and letterhead memorandum
dated 8/18/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten (10) copies
of a letterhead memorandum regarding the current activities
of Masferrer. An extra copy is furnished for transmittal
to Legat, Santo Domingo, in view of their interest in
this matter.

Copies of the letterhead memorandum are being
disseminated locally to INS, Coast Guard, Customs,
Border Patrol, USAFAD and State Department (Cuban Affairs),
all Miami, Florida, and to 11th M. I. Group, Orlando,
Florida, Customs, Key West, Florida, NISO, Charleston,
S. C., and OSI, Robins AFB, Georgia.

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M. J. Nascia

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at FBIHQ re their request
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Miami, Florida
October 12, 1967

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS - CUBA

Rolando Masferrer Rojas, a Cuban exile who resides in Miami, Florida, has been involved for several years in plotting an invasion of Haiti in order to establish a base of operations against Cuba.

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U Miami will continue to follow the activities of
MASFERRER and his associates through appropriate sources.

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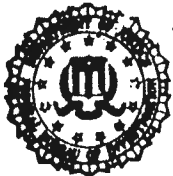
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Miami, Florida
October 12, 1967

Title ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA
Character NEUTRALITY MATTERS - CUBA

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Date 11/9/67

Subject Masferrer, and five
codefendants presently standing
trial in Federal court, Miami, in
matter handled completely by Bureau of
Customs growing out of Haitian/
Cuban exile attempt to invade Haiti
from Florida in January, 1967.
U. S. Attorney, Miami, has requested
testimony today of Agent of our
Miami Office regarding interview in
January, 1966 of one of the
defendants.

Since U.S. Attorney has stated
testimony will concern one inter-
view only and no problems
anticipated in cross examination,
Agent will be permitted to testify.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, IS - HAITI - CUBA. RA - HAITI

NEUTRALITY MATTERS
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RE MIAMI AIRTEL NOVEMBER EIGHT LAST.

RE AIRTEL ADVISED THAT TRIAL ON U.S. CUSTOMS CHARGES
OF SUBJECT AND FIVE ^{OTHER} DEFENDANTS HAD BEGUN NOVEMBER
SEVENTH IN FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT, MIAMI. AMONG DEFENDANTS
IS MARTIN CASEY.

ON NOVEMBER NINE INSTANT, USA WILLIAM A. MEADOWS, SOUTHERN
DISTRICT FLORIDA, ADVISED HE WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE TESTIMONY
OF SA JOSEPH P. MC CANN REGARDING INTERVIEW WITH CASEY ON
JANUARY TWENTY, SIXTYSIX, AT WHICH TIME CASEY WAS INVOLVED
IN ANOTHER PLOT AGAINST HAITIAN GOVERNMENT. THIS CASE IN-
VOLVED HENRY VIXAMA, MIAMI FILE ONE ZERO FIVE DASH ONE ZERO
SEVEN FIVE FIVE. BUFILE ONE ZERO FIVE DASH ONE FOUR FIVE
ONE SIX FIVE. THIS TESTIMONY WOULD SHOW CASEY'S KNOWLEDGE
OF GOVERNMENT'S INTEREST IN SUCH ILLEGAL ACTIVITY. MEADOWS
STATED HE PLANS TO FINISH PROSECUTION TODAY, AND AGENT'S
TESTIMONY WOULD BE REQUIRED TODAY. HE ANTICIPATES NO PROBLEM
ON CROSS EXAMINATION AND TESTIMONY WOULD BE LIMITED TO IN-
STANT INTERVIEW. UACB, SA MC CANN OF THE MIAMI OFFICE WILL TESTIFY

AS REQUESTED BY USA MEADOWS.

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Attached hereto is a clipping from the "Miami News" 11/8/67, captioned "MASFERRER WARNED ON CIA TALK", which relates to instant case.

The Bureau will be kept promptly advised regarding pertinent developments in this prosecution.

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(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

Masferrer Warned On CIA Talk

By MILT SOSIN

Reporter of The Miami News

Lawyers for Rolando Masferrer and five others on trial for conspiracy in an attempted invasion of Haiti cannot indiscriminately raise the ghost of the CIA in cross-examination, Federal Judge Ted Cabot has ruled.

The judge's ruling came yesterday on a motion — out of the jury's presence — by U.S. Attorney William A. Meadows.

Meadows asked the court to require the defense, before asking a witness about possible connections with the CIA, to show out of the presence of the jury what it hopes to elicit from the witness.

"Otherwise," said Meadows, "We have counsel asking about CIA connections when there may not be any, but nevertheless leaving the jurors with the wrong impression."

The motion was bitterly attacked by Gino Negretti, Carlos Fernandez and Harold Wittling, the defense counsel, but was granted by the judge.

He ruled that if the defense was able to show, out of the jury's presence, that an answer favorable to its case was forthcoming from a witness, the same question would be permitted with the jury present.

On trial with Masferrer are Father Jean Baptiste Georges, a Haitian Roman Catholic priest; Martin Casey, an American soldier of

fortune; Antonio Leon and Julio Aron Constanzo, Cuban exiles, and Rene Juarez Leon, a Haitian exile.

They are among 76 persons rounded up Jan. 2 at Coco Plum Beach in the keys at Marathon.

The plot, as later revealed by the principals, envisioned an invasion of Haiti with installation of Father Georges, a former Education Minister of the country, as president to succeed Dictator Francois (Papa Doc) Duvalier.

Then Haitians were to join Cubans in an overthrow of Fidel Castro.

The trial resumed today with presentation of further government witness by Meadows, assistant U.S. Attorney Lloyd Bates and J. P. Morris, a Justice Department attorney from Washington.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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Date: 11/8/67

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Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 11-13-67

Masferrer, notorious Cuban exile in Miami, and five other Haitian and Cuban exiles presently standing trial in Federal Court, Miami, Florida, in matter handled completely by Bureau of Customs, but followed closely by Bureau, growing out of unsuccessful attempt to invade Haiti from Florida in January, 1967.

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U.S. Attorney has obtained ruling from Federal judge hearing case requiring defense to satisfy the court as to relevancy of potential defense witnesses' testimony before bringing before jury possible Central Intelligence Agency connections with invasion effort.

Our Miami Office has been cooperating fully with the U.S. Attorney, Miami, and on 11-9-67 Miami Agent gave testimony at U.S. Attorney's request.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-95677)

DATE: 11/9/67

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (105-1597)

SUBJECT: HAITIAN SITUATION

Re Miami airtel and LHM 8/30/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of a LHM in captioned matter.

Copies are being furnished locally to INS, State Department (Cuban Affairs), Border Patrol, Customs (Miami, Region II, and Key West), Coast Guard, 11th MI Group, NISO, OSI, [REDACTED] and USAFAD.

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[REDACTED] LHM is classified ~~Confidential~~ to further protect a source of continuing value, disclosure of whose identity would be detrimental to the national defense.

During its continuing investigation of Haitian activities, Miami will be alert to any information regarding the identity, associates, or activities of the individual described as Captain WHITE.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 105-1597

Miami, Florida
November 9, 1967

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RE: HAITIAN SITUATION

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(b7C) On September 13, 1967, one [REDACTED] Florida State Road Department, 3794 Northwest 21st Street, advised that the Florida State Road Department is supervising the construction of the East-West Expressway at the present time. He could recall no one fitting the background description of subject as being connected in any way with this project.

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RE: HAITIAN SITUATION

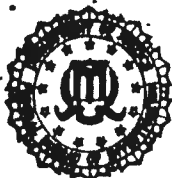
(b7c) He stated his records reflected one [REDACTED] being employed as a laborer at the project. He advised that Troup Brothers, South Dixie Highway, were the major contractors involved on the job and might possibly have further information.

On October 25, 1967, [REDACTED] Troup Brothers, 251 South Dixie Highway, stated that no one answering to Captain WHITE's description was connected with her company. The only WHITE on the payroll at present was one [REDACTED] [REDACTED] knew of no one who could be of further assistance in this matter.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida
November 9, 1967

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Reference Memorandum dated and captioned
as above, at Miami, Florida

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-33120)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (100-3343) (P)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] *referred*Re: [REDACTED] *Plant. Narcotics*
Investigation, 11/16/67.Enclosed herewith are 3 copies of this letter and
the information above, suitable for dissemination [REDACTED] *referred*

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Any further information received concerning this matter
should be immediately furnished to the Bureau and those
concerned.

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**In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. **MM 62-3573****

Miami, Florida
November 16, 1967

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Masferrer and others were arrested in January, 1967, in connection with an alleged plot to invade Haiti. The trial is currently being held in the U. S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, Miami, Florida, and is being handled by U. S. Customs Agents. U

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Re: [REDACTED] C

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"ATTENTION! We are compiling information for a book and are seeking information regarding the following ships, business firms and organizations:

"Crown, Fole, Reefer and Wasp; Keyes Navigation and Research Corporation, Melmar Corporation, Red Sunset Corporation, St. Francis, Inc., Zenith Technical Enterprises, and Commando Mambises. Panther Publications, Box 369, Boulder, Colorado 80302."

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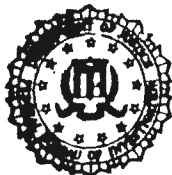
Re: [REDACTED]

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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Re Miami airtel to Bureau 11/8/67.

The "Miami Herald" of 11/17/67 carried an article relating that the subject and five co-defendants have been found guilty in Federal Court in Miami, 11/16/67, of conspiring to stage an invasion of Haiti and attempting to illegally export munitions of war.

On 11/17/67, Mr. WILLIAM MEADOWS, JR., U. S. Attorney, advised that MASFERRER and the other five defendants had been convicted on the following: Count 1 -- Title 18, USC, Section 371, conspiracy to violate Title 18, Section 960 and Title 22, Section 1934. Count 2 -- violation of Title 22, Section 1934. No date has been set by the Court for sentencing.

It is noted that Title 18, Section 960 (Neutrality Act) is a matter within the primary investigative jurisdiction of the FBI.

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The testimony of SA JOSEPH P. McCANN, as well as that of KENNETH WATERS, a witness who was made available to Customs by this office, was utilized during this trial by U. S. Attorney MEADOWS.

In view of the above, it is believed we would be justified in claiming a statistical credit for the Neutrality Act conviction. Therefore, when sentencing is accomplished, this will be done WACB.

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9:23 PM EST 11-14-67 URGENT RGT

TO DIRECTOR

FROM MIAMI

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RE MIAMI AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR, DATED NOVEMBER 8, 1967,
 CAPTIONED "ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS, IS-HAITI-CUBA;
 RECENTLY NOT NEUTRALITY MATTER
 SA-HAITI-CUBA; NM-HAITI, BUFILE 2-1622."

U.S. CUSTOMS CASE INVOLVING MASFERRER ET AL, CURRENTLY
 ON TRIAL, U.S. DISTRICT COURT, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA, MIAMI.

USA MEADOWS ADVISED THAT U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE, TED CABOT,
 HAS INFORMED HIM THAT AN UNKNOWN MIAMI HERALD EXECUTIVE EDITOR
 CONTACTED JUDGE LAST WEEK AND TOLD HIM THAT MIAMI HERALD WAS
 GOING TO PRINT OR PUBLISH TESTIMONY THAT WAS GIVEN OUTSIDE
 PRESENCE OF JURY BECAUSE THIS INFORMATION WAS ON AP AND UP
 WIRE SERVICE.

IN CONNECTION WITH CASE
 AS PART OF AN ORDER ENTERED NOVEMBER 6, 1967, JUDGE CABOT

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ORDERED THAT NO PUBLICATION SHALL BE MADE OF ANY TESTIMONY OR OTHER PROOFS TAKEN, OR ARGUMENTS MADE OUTSIDE PRESENCE OF JURY, UNLESS SUCH TESTIMONY IS LATER GIVEN TO JURY.

USA MEADOWS IN LETTER TODAY REQUESTS THAT ON BEHALF JUDGE CABOT INVESTIGATION BE CONDUCTED. STATES NEWSPAPERS PUBLISHED INFORMATION WHICH IS IN DIRECT CONTRADICTION TO COURT ORDER. FURTHER, THAT MAIN TRIAL IS A CUSTOMS CASE; HOWEVER, DUE TO FACT THAT ONE POSSIBLE CONTEMNOR IS THE ASSOCIATED PRESS WHOSE STORIES ARE PUBLISHED NATIONWIDE, HE FEELS IT IS IMPORTANT THAT FBI CONDUCT INVESTIGATION WITH ITS WIDE AND EFFICIENT COVERAGE OF ENTIRE COUNTRY.

THE MIAMI DIVISION RECOGNIZES THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS CASE; HOWEVER, RECOMMENDS THAT SINCE THIS IS NOT A BUREAU CASE BEING TRIED THAT WE NOT BECOME INVOLVED. BUREAU REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY ADVISE MIAMI IF IN ACCORD SINCE USA ANXIOUS TO KNOW IF INVESTIGATION WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THIS BUREAU.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM MIAMI 2P

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ASSOCIATED PRESS; UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL; MIAMI DAILY NEWS;
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IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS SET FORTH IN RETEL.

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IN RETEL. HE INDICATED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD BUREAU'S POSITION;
 HOWEVER, FELT THAT THIS MATTER WAS OF SUCH IMPORTANCE THAT
 IT SHOULD BE HANDLED BY THE VERY BEST QUALIFIED GOVERNMENT
 AGENCY AVAILABLE. FURTHER, THAT THE MATTER TO BE INVESTIGATED
 DID NOT HAVE ANY DIRECT BEARING ON THE CASE BUT WAS INVOLVED
 IN THE PRESS MEDIA GOING DIRECTLY CONTRARY TO A COURT ORDER.
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FURTHER, THAT IN HIS OPINION, THIS MATTER HAD TREMENDOUS
RAMIFICATIONS AND UNDOUBTEDLY WOULD BE A TEST CASE WHICH
WOULD IN ALL PROBABILITY BE TAKEN TO THE SUPREME COURT. HE
FURTHER ADVISED THAT HE WANTED TO ASSURE THAT THE FEDERAL
JUDGE, AFTER RECEIVING RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION, FULLY
INTENDED TO CITE RESPONSIBLE NEWS MEDIA FOR CONTEMPT OF
COURT AND/OR CONTEMPT OF COURT ORDER.

MR. MEADOWS AGAIN INDICATED HE UNDERSTOOD BUREAU'S
POSITION; HOWEVER, STATED THAT HE WAS ATTEMPTING TO CONTACT
THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THEIR VIEWS
TOWARD SECURING SERVICES OF FBI AND CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION.

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CC-MR. TOSTER

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November 15, 1967

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

U. S. Attorney, Miami, requested Obstruction of Justice investigation by FBI following publication of certain information in newspapers contrary to a court order. The matter on trial is a Bureau of Customs case and the principal defendant is Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas.

Rojas is a notorious exiled former Cuban Senator and leader of an attempted invasion of Haiti which was thwarted by Bureau of Customs on 1/2/67. Seventy-six arrests were made and seven indictments have been returned.

Miami Office instructed to tactfully discuss with U. S. Attorney, pointing out trial case is Customs matter, which agency has background knowledge and should logically handle foregoing request of U. S. Attorney. Attached teletype reports results of this discussion.

Since investigation indicated in attached teletype will involve the "Associated Press," "United Press International," and Miami newspapers, it is recommended that we not conduct this investigation unless specifically requested to do so by the Department in writing.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 1/5/68

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA
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ReMMairtel 11/17/67.

There have been no additional developments in this matter. On 12/28/67 Mr. STANLEY SCHACHTER, U. S. Customs, Miami, advised that there has been no indication that sentencing of the six individuals involved is imminent. SCHACHTER said he was going to attempt to determine the present status of the matter, and would thereafter contact the Miami Office of the FBI.

On 1/5/68, SCHACHTER advised he had not been able to obtain any additional information.

Bureau will be promptly advised of pertinent developments. Miami has been withholding submission of LHM until sentencing, which was expected some time ago. As sentencing in this case apparently may be delayed, Miami will prepare and submit up-to-date LHM.

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SAC, Miami (2-186)

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Director, FBI (2-1622)

BOLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

IS - HAITI - CUBA
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ON 4/5/82

Reference SAC Letter 87-70 (H) dated 11/22/87 which enlarges the criteria for inclusion in the Rabble Rouser Index (RRI). Subject to inclusion under the new standards are agitators of all types whose activities have a bearing on the national security.

Masferrer's activities over the past several years and continuing up to date would appear to qualify him for consideration for inclusion in the RRI. He has repeatedly demonstrated his ability to gather under his direction and control substantial numbers of individuals ready to engage in armed conflict and to obtain supplies of arms and military equipment. The fact that he has been convicted recently in a Customs Bureau case for violation of Federal neutrality statutes and is now awaiting sentencing should not automatically preclude him from consideration.

You should review your files regarding subject and forward to the Bureau your recommendation regarding his inclusion in the RRI. Such recommendation is to be accompanied by well thought out support for your position.

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1 - 157-7782 (Rabble Rouser Index)

NOTE:

Subject is notorious former Cuban Senator who has lived in the U. S. in exile since 1959. He has been constantly active in efforts to mount armed invasion of Haiti to overthrow government and establish a base for assault on Castro's Cuba. He was leader of an abortive

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Spanish Invasion at sea. From 1941 to 1942, five others were convicted in U. S. District Court for violation of neutrality statutes growing out of effort and all are currently awaiting sentence at this time. *LA*

Subject has a proven charismatic charm over Cuban exiles in the U. S. and can gather a sizeable following to do his bidding on remarkably short notice. He would appear to fit the definition of a rouser of rabble.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (C)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

11-5-68

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Enclosed for the Bureau is an LHM concerning
MASFERRER, in justification of his having been placed on Agitator
Index.

As there is no current activity on the part
of MASFERRER, this case is being placed in a closed
status.



0-7 R/S to MM per direction re: redacted LHM to
9/30-68 captioned as above. Furnish the LHM to
S.S. Secret Service re: MM. Information from file re: MM
photo of subject has been furnished to S.S.
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 2-156

Miami, Florida
September 30, 1968

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA
RA - HAITI - CUBA
NM - HAITI - CUBA

A. Date and Place of Birth

The records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Miami, reflect that MASFERRER was born January 12, 1918, at Holguin, Oriente, Cuba.

B. Citizenship

MASFERRER is a Cuban National residing in the United States as a political exile. He is under restrictive parole by INS.

C. Residence Address

MASFERRER presently resides at 6775 S.W. 27th Street, Miami, Florida.

D. Occupation and Business Address

(b7C) On July 19, 1968, [REDACTED] Defense Contract Administration Services, 4479 Northwest 36th Street, Miami Springs, Florida, advised that MASFERRER was then employed by API, 4104 Northwest 28th Street, Miami. He is charged with checking trucks going into and leaving the plant. API is a subsidiary of Aerodex, Inc.

E. Summary of Activities

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RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

ROLANDO MASFERRER was generally known in Cuba during the 1940s as a leading official of the Communist Party of Cuba (CPC) known as the Partido Socialista Popular (PSP). He was reportedly expelled from the PSP in 1945 because of an internal dispute. As late as April, 1947, he was reported to have said that he personally believed in Marxist principles and in 1951 he was reported to continue to maintain his basic ideology despite his break with the PSP.

He fought with the International Brigade on the side of the communists in the Spanish Civil War in 1937.

During the 1950s, MASFERRER maintained a personal army in Oriente Province in Cuba which was known as the Tigers of MASFERRER. Allegedly, this force operated outside the law at the whim of MASFERRER, using force and killing without reprisal from the Cuban government.

MASFERRER arrived in Florida on January 1, 1959, immediately following the collapse of the BATISTA regime. In June, 1959, MASFERRER was reported to be involved in a plan to bring about the overthrow of FIDEL CASTRO with a group of Cubans based in the Dominican Republic led by ex-Cuban General JOSE PEDRAZA. This operation came to an end with the capture in Cuba of 10 members of the group at Trinidad, Las Villas. C.I.I.

On July 30, 1959, U.S. Customs arrested two Americans and a Cuban at a Miami airport in possession of arms which they said were the property of MASFERRER and were to be dropped by parachute into Cuba.

On November 9, 1960, during an interview, MASFERRER admitted he was responsible for sending an expedition of 27 men to invade Cuba in October, 1960, of which 11 were killed or executed and the remainder received long prison terms.

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

In late 1960 or early 1961, MASFERRER again gathered a group of Cubans and American adventurers in Miami in preparation of some type of military activity.

On January 7, 1961, six of these Americans were captured in Cuba and sentenced to 30 years in prison.

On July 31, 1961, MASFERRER was ordered moved to another section of the U.S. and relocated in the New York - New Jersey area. In 1962, he organized and began recruiting a new group which he called "unrifle" and began collecting and sending arms to the Miami area.

In August, 1963, he began his first Haitian - Cuban invasion scheme, sending a group of about 40 men from the New York - New Jersey area to Miami. This scheme eventually expired for lack of resources.

In the fall of 1964, MASFERRER put in motion another plan for the invasion of Haiti sending men and equipment to the Miami area, but this plan subsequently also collapsed.

In April, 1966, MASFERRER for a third time began to organize and develop a plan to invade Haiti which continued until January 2, 1967, when U.S. Customs Agents arrested MASFERRER and 75 other men charging them with conspiracy to export munitions of war and with planning a military expedition to Haiti.

MASFERRER and five co-conspirators were convicted in Federal Court, Miami, Florida, of the above charges.

On February 29, 1968, MASFERRER was sentenced to serve four years in prison. This conviction is presently under appeal, and MASFERRER is at liberty under bond.

When interviewed on May 8, 1968, MASFERRER stated that he was not then engaged in any plan of a military nature and was awaiting the results of his appeal from the conviction mentioned above, which he expects will take at least another year.

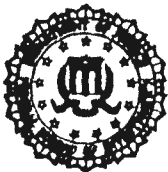
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During August, 1968, confidential sources familiar with the activities of Cuban exiles in Miami were contacted and advised that MASFERRER was not known to be engaged in any anti-CASTRO activity at the present time.

F. Description

Name	ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of birth	January 12, 1918
Place of birth	Holguin, Oriente, Cuba
Height	5' 8"
Weight	165 lbs.
Build	Heavy
Hair	Brown, receding
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Ruddy
Scars and marks	None noted
Peculiarities	Usually wears glasses and mustache
Marital status	Married
Relatives	ANTONIO ROJAS, cousin 1152 S.W. 15th Avenue Miami, Florida
Nationality	Cuban
FBI Number	235 540 D

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida
May 5, 1969

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SUBJECT: **ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS**

REFERENCE: **Memorandum dated September 30, 1968.**

Referenced communication contained subject's residence and/or employment address. A recent change has been determined and is being set forth below (change only specified):

Residence:

Employment: **Director, "Libertad" (weekly newspaper),
Room 203, 2000 West Flagler Street,
Miami, Florida.
Night watchman, West Dixie, Inc.,
14850 West Dixie Highway
Miami, Florida
(11:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. shift)**

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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (2-1622) DATE: 9/12/68

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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This case will be delinquent.

Date of Bureau deadline: 9/12/68

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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (Bufile- 2-1622)

DATE: 5/5/69

FROM : SAC, Miami (2-156) (P)

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SUBJECT: ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS
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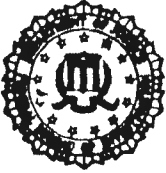
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida
September 23, 1969

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

REFERENCE: Memorandum at Miami, Florida,
dated May 5, 1969.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: SEP 25 1968

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (2-156)(C)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - HAITI - CUBA;
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Re Miami letter and LHM dated 9/30/68. *see 410*

Enclosed are nine copies of an LHM setting out information concerning the activities of ROLANDO MASFERRER during the past year.

Copies have been disseminated locally to the following:

- ✓ U. S. Secret Service, Miami, Florida
- NISO, Charleston, South Carolina
- 111th M.I. Group, Orlando, Florida
- Cuban Affairs (State Department), Miami
- U. S. Coast Guard, Miami
- U. S. Border Patrol, Miami
- U. S. Customs, Miami and Region II, Miami
- INS, Miami
- OSI, Patrick Air Force Base, Florida

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In view of the lack of any significant current activity on the part of MASFERRER, this case is being returned to a closed status.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 2-156

Miami, Florida

SEP 25 1969

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA;
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTER - HAITI

I. BACKGROUND

ROLANDO MASFERRER is a Cuban exile who has been involved in several plots to invade Haiti in order to establish a base of operations against Cuba. The last such operation was terminated on January 2, 1967, when 76 persons, including, MASFERRER, were arrested by U. S. Customs Agents at Coco Plum Beach, Florida. MASFERRER and five others were later convicted in United States Federal Court, Miami, Florida, of conspiring to invade Haiti and on February 28, 1968, MASFERRER was sentenced to four years' imprisonment on the basis of this conviction. He was freed on bond pending appeals.

On August 20, 1969, ROLANDO MASFERRER was interviewed at the offices of "Libertad," 2000 West Flagler Street, Miami. "Libertad" is a Spanish-language newspaper published weekly by ROLANDO MASFERRER. The masthead of the newspaper identifies MASFERRER as its editor in chief. MASFERRER advised that he continues to reside at 6775 Southwest 27th Street, Miami, Florida, and that his only employment is that of editor of the newspaper "Libertad." He said that he had given up his employment as a night watchman in order to devote full time to the newspaper, which is now beginning to make money.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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The May 23, 1969, issue of "Libertad" contained an article entitled "GURNEY TO AID EXILES." A summary translation of this article is set forth below.

"Last Saturday, ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, director of 'Libertad,' Cuban lawyer and ex-senator of the Republic, talked at length with Florida Republican Senator Edward Gurney.

"The talk was limited to questions of U.S. foreign policy in relation to Cuba. MASFERRER gave GURNEY a memo on the matters handled in the talk, and GURNEY promised to study the contents of the memo with officials of the State Department in Washington who are handling the Cuban question, and eventually bring it to the attention of the Republican parliamentary committee in the U.S. Senate.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

"Before his private talk with GURNEY, MASFERRER explained to Cuban journalists who came to see GURNEY at the Four Ambassadors Hotel that he would ask GURNEY to help the Nixon administration interpret the neutrality law in its original spirit, to protect the relations of the U.S. with friendly governments. Obviously, FIDEL CASTRO is not friendly, but in spite of that, the Kennedy administration repressed all attempts by the Cuban patriots to help those fighting within Cuba. MASFERRER stated that many anti-communist Cubans have been imprisoned for wanting to help our brothers in Cuba. Now we should be given full freedom of international waters. That might be enough to overthrow Castro.

The May 23, 1969, issue of "Libertad" also carried an article entitled "THE BLOCKADE" by ROLANDO MASFERRER. A summary translation of this article is set forth below.

"The Cubans do not hope that the U.S. will send their soldiers to throw out FIDEL CASTRO and his Russian masters from Cuba, returning to us our country which we did not know how to defend.

"We demand, in justice, that you respect our fighters and their right to use international waters to help those fighting in Cuba, with weapons and ammunition to be used against the communist oppressors.

"It was my pleasure to remind Republican Senator ED GURNEY, who was introduced by my old friend FERNANDO PENABAZ, that the Russian ships anchor three miles off the coasts of Maryland and New Jersey. They are not after cod and tuna, they are checking on electronic transmissions vital to the defense of this country. And, paradoxically, American and British destroyers arrest our courageous brothers at sea, three miles from the Cuban coast, and confiscate weapons purchased with the blood, sweat and tears of the exiles.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

"It did not please Senator GURNEY, who fought for human rights against the totalitarians in the Second World War, that the U.S., forgetting its traditions, is acting as body-guard for a bandit who is also their enemy.

"I trust that this shame placed on the U.S. by the dismal administration of President John F. Kennedy is about to stop.

"If it does not, one day we will hear that the Coast Guard and the Marines have had to sink crews of patriots who are going to Cuba to demonstrate that the exiles have not forgotten our compatriots on the island.

"This is about to happen.

"We cannot be indifferent towards the merchants without conscience or principles who ignore the American blockade and lengthen the agony of the Cuban people by supplying CASTRO with fuel, food, machinery and weapons.

"They are allies of the criminal who has fallen upon our country like a biblical curse. We must and we can strike them, on the sea and anywhere else, wherever it will hurt them most.

"Even though we do not move a finger, CASTRO will fall this year by the actions of the people of Cuba.

"As men, we cannot merely stand by, just because the American policy is not to give us permission to strike.

"A ship sunk, a warehouse burned, a bridge blown up, a G-2 man sent to the other world, stimulates the courage of those inside Cuba. At any moment, they can precipitate the battle to wipe out the Castro regime.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

"Join those who want to fight. Let's sink British, Spanish, French and Russian ships. It is undignified to ask others to do what is our duty."

ROLANDO MASFERRER was interviewed on April 23, 1969, at which time he said that he was working six days a week, 11:00 P.M. to 8:00 A.M., as a night watchman, and also prepared and published a weekly newspaper. He said that in view of these activities, he was not at that time engaged in any significant activity among the Cuban exiles, although he continues to maintain contact with certain groups. MASFERRER noted that he was under a sentence of four years in prison for his unsuccessful attempt to invade Haiti, which conviction is pending appeal. He said that in view of this situation, he did not want to involve himself in activities which might prejudice his appeal.

The July 18, 1969, issue of "Libertad," page 16, contained an article captioned as follows:

CARLOS B. FERNANDEZ SPEAKS OUT

Represented ANTONIO ROJAS in the Haitian Trials

A translation of this article is set forth below.

"The Federal Court of Appeals has just confirmed the sentence of ROLANDO MASFERRER and other Cubans, along with three Haitians who were found guilty of organizing a military expedition to Haiti. This confirmation came to us just as the previous edition was being closed. It means that the accused will have to serve their sentences, unless another appeal is made to the Supreme Court of the United States."

"That is the news. Our comment is that in addition to the fact that as lawyers, we do not like to lose any case, and on this

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

"occasion the Court of Appeals did not accept our arguments in favor of the accused, as political commentators, we cannot help reflecting on conditions existing in this country, where an individual like STOKELY CARMICHAEL, the so-called Negro leader who goes to Cuba and conspires with FIDEL CASTRO to promote subversion in this country, who conspires from State to State, from City to City, who urges vandalism, destruction of property, burning and murder, who promotes the transfer of arms and illegal propaganda from one country to another and in spite of this, has never been tried in a Federal Court. While ROLANDO MASFERRER and other Cubans are condemned for violating the Neutrality Laws. One asks oneself if these Neutrality Laws are only for the Cubans?"

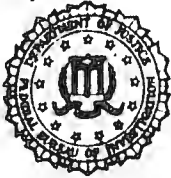
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On August 20, 1969, MASFERRER was interviewed at the offices of "Libertad" and advised that he had been threatened by HUMBERTO TRUEBA, who resented an article which MASFERRER had published in "Libertad" concerning the criminal activities of TRUEBA. MASFERRER said, however, that TRUEBA, after threatening to kill him for publishing the article, withdrew and has not bothered MASFERRER since.

MASFERRER said that he and his friends continue to hold meetings at the offices of "Libertad," discussing various aspects of the Cuban situation, but at the present time, he personally has no plans for any type of military activity.

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Miami, Florida

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SEP 25 1969

Title ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character

INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI - CUBA;
REGISTRATION ACT - HAITI - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTER - HAITI

Reference

Memorandum dated and captioned
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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 2/3/70

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-38120) (C)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS-HAITI-CUBA;
NM-HAITI

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As the Bureau is aware, ROLANDO MASFERRER and others were arrested in Miami, Florida, by U.S. Customs Agents in January, 1967.

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The above is being submitted for the information of the Bureau.

2 Bureau (RM)
1-New York

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See Bishop to DeLoach
Mon 11/3, 11/4/69
"CBS TV Documentary
on Communism +
Haiti"

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1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
1 - Mr. T. E. Bishop
1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan

Mr. W. C. Sullivan

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W. R. Wannall

1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall
1 - Mr. A. H. Solomon

HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - HAITI

CLASS. & EXT. BY 2842 PMVBA/oms
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2
DATE OF REVIEW 2/27/70

The "Evening Star" newspaper, Washington, D. C., on 2/26/70, carried article, "The Story of CBS and the Plot to Invade Haiti," summarizing findings of the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee to effect that Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), in 1966, had involved itself in and partially subsidized an attempted invasion of Haiti in possible violation of Federal neutrality statutes and related U.S. laws. Director asked what we know about this.



FBI conducted no active investigation with regard to this Haitian invasion plot, which was thwarted by Customs arrest of 76 persons at Marathon, Florida, 1/2/67. Masferrer and five others were convicted in Federal Court, Miami, on 11/16/67. We maintained close liaison with Customs, furnishing all pertinent information we obtained. Dissemination was also made to the White House, the Attorney General, and other interested Federal agencies.

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* He did not furnish any information regarding/involvement.

1 - 94-4-925 (Columbia Broadcasting System)
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Memorandum, W.R. Wannall to Mr. Sullivan
RE: HAITIAN REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

During House committee hearings, attorneys for CBS were in contact with the Bureau in 11/69 in an effort to obtain verification of CBS claim to have alerted Bureau to this plot in the summer of 1968.

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ACTION:

None. For information.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: FEB 17 1970

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (105-17958) (C)

SUBJECT:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
CUBAN EXILE GROUP FORMED BY
JOSE M. MACIAS AND OTHER MEMBERS
OF BRIGADE 2506
IS - CUBA
NM - CUBA
(OO: MIAMI)

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP
8/2/70

CLASS. & EXT. BY SP-10/MS
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2
DATE OF REVIEW 8/17/90

Re Miami letter and letterhead memorandum dated 10/17/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of a letterhead memorandum reporting on recent developments in this Cuban exile group.

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Copies of the letterhead memorandum are being disseminated locally to:

1 - [REDACTED] (refined)
U. S. State Department (Cuban Affairs), Miami
U. S. Coast Guard, Miami
U. S. Customs, Miami and Region II, Miami
U. S. Border Patrol, Miami
WISO, 6th MD, Charleston, S.C.
OSI, Patrick Air Force Base, Florida
U. S. Secret Service, Miami
11th M.I. Group, Orlando, Florida

1 - Bureau (Enc. -9) (RM)
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Miami, Florida

FEB 17 1970

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY SLIP(S) OF
DATE 8/24/81 *Class*

RE: CUBAN EXILE GROUP FORMED BY
JOSE M. MACIAS AND OTHER
MEMBERS OF BRIGADE 2506
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTER - CUBA

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JOSE M. MACIAS AND OTHER
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Character INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTER - CUBA

Reference

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : *FF/JOH* SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS - *Cuba*

DATE: FEB 26 1970
APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP(S) *Class*
DATE *8/29/81* *ADT*

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CLASS. & EXT. BY *SP18BIA/DMS*
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2 *2*
DATE OF REVIEW *2/26/96*

Re Miami letter and LHM dated 9/25/69. *see 411*

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM reporting information which has recently been developed indicating that subject is again making plans to organize a group of Cuban exiles with the view of carrying out an infiltration of Cuba.

Copies of this LHM have been disseminated locally to the following:

U. S. Secret Service, Miami, Florida
NISO, Charleston, South Carolina
111th M.I. Group, Orlando, Florida
Cuban Affairs (State Department), Miami
(refused)
U. S. Coast Guard, Miami
U. S. Border Patrol, Miami
U. S. Customs (Miami and Region II)
INS, Miami
OSI, Patrick Air Force Base, Florida

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2 - Bureau (Enc-9) (RM)
2 - Miami

(1 - 105-1742)

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By R/S For Info

Date *8-11-70*

By *VHN/gh*

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Miami will continue to follow developments in this matter and the Bureau will be kept advised.

The serial numbers of the weapons listed on page 5 of the LHM were checked through NCIC with negative results.



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Miami, Florida

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY SLIP(S)
DATE 8/24/81 RPT

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA;
NEUTRALITY MATTERS

ROLANDO MASFERRER is a Cuban exile who, since his arrival in the United States in January, 1959, has been engaged in a series of activities related to his efforts to bring about the overthrow of the government of FIDEL CASTRO in Cuba. The last such operation was concluded on January 2, 1967, when MASFERRER and 76 other persons were arrested by United States Customs Agents at Coco Plum Beach, Florida. MASFERRER and five of the participants were later convicted in United States Federal Court in Miami of conspiring to invade Haiti and on February 28, 1968, MASFERRER was sentenced to four years' imprisonment on the basis of this conviction. He has been free on bond since that time pending appeal.

When interviewed on August 20, 1969, MASFERRER said that his only employment was that of editor of the newspaper "Libertad," a Spanish-language newspaper which he publishes weekly and which has offices at 2000 West Flagler Street, Miami, Florida. At this time, MASFERRER said that while he and his friends were holding meetings at the offices of "Libertad" and discussing various aspects of the Cuban situation, he personally had no plans for any type of military activity.

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROSAS

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By memorandum dated January 30, 1970, the Special Inquiry Unit of the Miami Police Department made available information concerning their arrest of LUIS CRESPO and RAFAEL PAZ for possession of automatic weapons, explosives and unregistered firearms on the night of January 27, 1970, as a result of the receipt by the Police Department of an anonymous complaint. A list of the weapons confiscated at the time of this arrest was furnished and is set forth below:

- 1 Mortar Barrel cal. 3.65 - no identification number
- 1 Browning Automatic Rifle, no identification number
- 1 M1 Garland Rifle Identification Number 4234070
- 1 30 cal. Machine Gun, Number M 191914
- 1 Recoilless Rifle Cover, no number
- 1 Machine Gun Tripod, #C 59336
- 1 .50 caliber Windage & Elevation Sight #6195549
- 4 .50 caliber Machine Gun Receivers, #1283931 - 1197290 - 612162 - 2215253
- 4 .30 caliber Barrels, no number
- 3 .50 caliber Machine Gun Barrels, no number
- 1 .50 caliber Machine Gun Mount
- 1 .9 millimeter Walther Pistol, #380503

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ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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Reference Memorandum dated and captioned
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1 - Mr. V.H. Nasca

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To: SAC, Miami (2-156)
From: Director, FBI (2-1622) - 413

ROLANDO ARCADIO MANSFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA

NEUTRALITY MATTERS - CUBA

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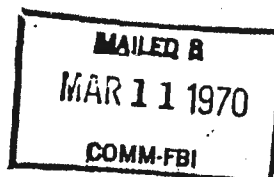
Enclosure indicates that subject, a Cuban exile, since his arrival in the U.S. in January, 1959, has been engaged in a series of activities related to his efforts to bring about the overthrow of the Castro government. The last such operation was concluded in January, 1967, when subject and 76 other persons were arrested by Customs. Subject and five of the other participants were later convicted in U.S. Federal Court of conspiring to invade Haiti. On February 28, 1968, subject was sentenced to four years imprisonment on the basis of this conviction. He has been free on bond since that time pending appeal.

Enclosure indicates that subject is reportedly once again becoming active in efforts to overthrow the Castro government.

In view of the past interest of Customs in the activity of the subject and in view of the fact that he is presently free on bond on a case which was investigated by Customs, check with Customs locally to determine if it has an investigative interest in the subject and his activity at this time, and whether it is conducting investigation. Handle by airtel.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (2-156)(P)

ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA;
NM - CUBA

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Re Bureau airtel 3/12/70. *ml 4/3*

On 3/16/70 Mr. STANLEY SCHACHTER, Asst. SA in Charge (Enforcement), Customs Agency Service, Miami, advised that Customs has a continuing investigative interest in MASFERRER but are not conducting active investigation at this time. In view of the resumption of activities by MASFERRER, Mr. SCHACHTER is considering the reinstitution of investigation of subject.

Miami will continue to follow activities of MASFERRER through appropriate sources.

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Special Agent in Charge

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Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 3-17-70

On 3-12-70, Mr. Egil Krogh, Jr., Deputy Assistant to the President for Domestic Affairs, advised our Liaison Agent the President was particularly concerned regarding an article in the Evening Star newspaper 2-26-70 alleging Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) involvement in an abortive, exile plot to invade Haiti in 1966. Krogh said President desired FBI investigate facts of case. Krogh requested our reply reach White House no later than 3-19-70.

In attached teletype Miami has noted that replies to pertinent questions concerning CBS involvement are not available there but may be secured from Internal Security Division of Department. We are contacting that Division today.

AHS:plm

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Mr. Conrad
Mr. Felt
Mr. Gale
Mr. Rosen
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ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS, SIS - HAITI- CUBA.

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BUREAU MAY DESIRE TO HAVE FIVE VOLUMES OF TRANSCRIPT OF TRAIL TESTIMONY IN POSSESSION OF DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY [REDACTED] REVIEWED. BUREAU MAY ALSO DESURE TO HAVE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE'S FILE ON MASFERRER CASE HANDLED BY DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY [REDACTED] REVIEWED FOR ANY PROSECUTIVE DECISION REGARDING CBS. (b7c)

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CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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FROM MIAMI 2-156 7P

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ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS. IS - HAITI - CUBA.

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REFERENCE BUREAU TELEPHONE CALLS MARCH TWELFTH AND
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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF BUREAU, MIAMI LHM
²⁻¹⁶²²⁻³⁶⁶
DATED DECEMBER THIRTY ONE, SIXTY SIX IS A TWENTY PAGE SUMMARY
OF THE MASFERRER OPERATION FROM JANUARY SIXTY SIX UNTIL JUST
PRIOR TO THE ARREST OF SUBJECT BY CUSTOMS IN JANUARY, SIXTY
SEVEN, IN THE EVENT MORE DETAILED BACKGROUND IS DESIRED.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 3-31-70

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
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(OO: Miami)

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ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S)

DATE 8/24/81 BY QAT

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Re Miami letter and LHM, 2-26-70.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 9 copies of a LHM setting out information on recent developments in the plans of the subject to organize a group of Cuban exiles to infiltrate Cuba.

Copies of this LHM have been disseminated locally to the following:

- 1 - U. S. Secret Service, Miami
- 1 - NISO, Charleston, S. C.
- 1 - 111th M.I. Group, Orlando, Florida
- 1 - Cuban Affairs (State Department), Miami
- 1 - U. S. Coast Guard, Miami
- 1 - U. S. Border Patrol, Miami
- 2 - U. S. Custom (1-Miami and 1-Region II)
- 1 - INS, Miami
- 1 - OSI, Patrick Air Force Base, Florida

State/CI/Secret Service/NAO-42-D
Army/Navy/Air Force/DIA/Customs/Coast Guard
Coordinator of Cuban Affairs, State

By R/S For Info

Date 4-14-70

2-Bureau (Enc. 9) (RM)
2-Miami

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The LHM has been classified Confidential as its unauthorized disclosure could be prejudicial to the defense interests by compromising confidential sources of continuing value.

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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will continue to follow developments in this matter and the Bureau will be promptly advised.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 2-156

Miami, Florida
March 31, 1970

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DATE 9/24/81 BY 1455

RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
NEUTRALITY MATTERS - CUBA

ROLANDO MASFERRER is a Cuban exile who, since his arrival in the United States in January, 1959, has been engaged in a series of activities related to his efforts to bring about the overthrow of the Government of FIDEL CASTRO in Cuba. The last such operation was concluded on January 2, 1967, when MASFERRER and 76 other persons were arrested by U. S. Customs Agents at Coco Plum Beach, Florida. MASFERRER and five of the participants were later convicted in U. S. Federal Court in Miami of conspiring to invade Haiti and on February 28, 1968, MASFERRER was sentenced to four years' imprisonment on the basis of this conviction. He has been free on bond since that time pending appeal.

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RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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(b-1) [REDACTED] reported that ROLANDO MASFERRER had been distributing applications to anyone interested in signing up with his organization. MASFERRER recently held a meeting which was attended by about 50 men. He told those present that there was already a brigade in the Dominican Republic under the leadership of a man who has agreed to assist MASFERRER in making a landing in Cuba. MASFERRER said that the men in his command will have to purchase their own weapons although he has a number of AR-15 rifles.

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RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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MAFERRER said that he was planning to train about 200 men for fighting inside Havana and indicated that this group might go to another country from the United States prior to proceeding to Cuba. MASFERRER was also heard to remark that CARLOS ARANA OSORIO, the President of Guatemala, is a good friend of his and has offered MASFERRER and his men refuge in Guatemala in the event that MASFERRER loses his appeal to the United States Supreme Court.

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RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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[REDACTED] advised that ROLANDO MASFERRER had stated that he had about 60 men receiving military training and that these men would be used for the purpose of supporting the plan of JOSE DE LA TORRIENTE. The instructor of the men was identified as a Lieutenant named PUJOL, who had served in the Special Forces of the U. S. Army.

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RE: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

The March 17, 1970, issue of the "Diario las Americas", a Spanish language newspaper published at Miami, contained an article, a summary translation of which is set forth below:

"AGUSTIN ALLES CHALLENGES ROLANDO MASFERRER
TO IRREGULAR DUEL"

"Miami, Florida, March 16 (AFP)--A Cuban exile journalist, AGUSTIN ALLES, today challenged his colleague and compatriot, ROLANDO MASFERRER, director of the weekly 'Libertad,' to an 'irregular duel.'

"ALLES charged MASFERRER with having 'injured' him in an editorial, along with JUANITA CASTRO, sister of the Cuban Prime Minister, who is also in exile here.

"The challenge was given by ALLES in a registered letter sent to MASFERRER, proposing an irregular duel, with the weapons each one wishes to use, with no seconds, in a proper spot, chosen secretly by the two men.

"ALLES, one of the advisers of JUANITA CASTRO here, says that MASFERRER's editorial constitutes 'an injurious attack, a threat to the exercise of his profession, and a threat against his person.'

"In this same article, MASFERRER also attacked JUANITA CASTRO.

"In his letter, ALLES stated he suggests an 'irregular duel' as being more in tune with our times. "

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Miami, Florida
March 31, 1970

Title ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
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Reference Memorandum, dated and captioned as
 above, at Miami, Florida.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

SUMMARY FROM SPANISH

March 16, 1970 issue of periodical "La Hoja"
Agustin Alles, Director; address:

P. O. Box 841
Riverside Station
Miami, Fla. 33155

Printed at:

Continental Printing
360 W. 20th Street
Hialeah, Fla.

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This is a Cuban exile publication. This issue is entirely dedicated to denouncing one Rolando Masferrer, one of the leaders of the Cuban exile community. Mr. Alles claims that Mr. Masferrer is actually in favor of "negotiating with the communists" rather than fighting for the unconditional freedom of Cuba. Mr. Masferrer is also accused of having no principles, of being a degenerate opportunist and of secretly seeking an alliance with the communists to obtain a prominent position. This publication is extremely anti-communist.

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CARBO, SERGIO
CARBO, UISES
CASAS, CESAR
CASTAÑEDA, CARLOS
CASTAÑEDO, CONCHITA
CASTRO, JUANITA
CLARET, SANTIAGO
CONTE AGÜERO, DR. LUIS
COSSIO DEL PINO, ALEJO
CORTINA, DR. JOSÉ MANUEL
COVADONGA FERNANDEZ,
CARMEN
CRESPÍ, DRA. MARIA
CRESPÓ, LUIS
CRUZ, DR. AGUSTIN
CUERVO RUBIO, DR. GUSTAVO
CUERVO NAVARRO, DR. PELAYO
CHACON Y CALVO, JOSÉ MARIA
CHIBAS, EDUARDO
CHIBAS, RAUL
CHIBAS, RAUL (el padre)
DE CARDENAS, DR. RAUL
DE CESPEDES, CARLOS MIGUEL
DE LA FE, ERNESTO
DE LA TORRIENTE, DON COSME
DE LEON, DR. RUBEN
DE SAN JULIAN, TOMAS
DIAZ BALART, RAFAEL
DIAZ, DR. CRISTOBAL
DIAZ, NINO
DIAZ RIVERA, TUULO
DIAZ TORRE, COMANDANTE RAUL
DUBOIS, JULES
ECHEVARRIA, JOSÉ ANTONIO
ESQUIVEL, DR. ALFREDO
ESTRELLA, EVELIO
FERNANDEZ CASAS, FEDERICO
FIGUERES, JOSÉ
FLEITES, DR. ARMANDO
FERNANDEZ, GUSTAVO
FERNANDEZ MIRANDA DE
BATISTA, MARTA
FERNANDEZ MIRANDA,
GENERAL ROBERTO

LEITAO DA CUNHA, VASCO
LESNIK, MAX
LEVIN, HERBERT
LEW, DR. SALVADOR
LOBO, JULIO
LOPEZ BLANCO, DR. MARINO
LOPEZ VILLABOY, JOSÉ
LORENZO, DR. RAUL
MENENDEZ, MANOLO
MIRANDA, "EL CHINO"
MACEO, DR. ANTONIO
MADRUGA, SALVADOR
MANABARA, LUIS V.
MARQUEZ STELLING,
DR. CARLOS
MARTINEZ, LUIS MANUEL
MAS CANOSA, JORGE
MASSO, JOSÉ LUIS
MEDRANO, DR. HUMBERTO
MENDEZ, CAPITAN VICENTE
MENOCAL, RAUL
MENDIOLA, RUBEN
MESA, TITO
MESTRE, GOAR
MEIJAS, DR. SERGIO
MIRO CARDONA, DR. JOSÉ
MORA, DR. CANDIDO
MORA, DR. MENELAO
MORA, DR. MODESTO
MORALES DEL CASTILLO,
DR. ANDRÉS DOMINGO
MOSQUEDA, AMANCIO
(COMANDANTE YAREY)
MUJAL, EUSEBIO
NAVARETTE, OCTAVIO
NAZARIO SARGEN, ANDRÉS
NUÑEZ PORTUONDO, DR. EMILIO
NUÑEZ PORTUONDO,
DR. RICARDO
NIXON, RICHARD M.
OCHOA, DR. MILLO
OLIVA, CAPITAN ERNEIDO
ORTEGA, LUIS
ORTEGA, TONY

ROGERS, WILLIAM F.
RUBIO PADILLA, DR. JUAN
ANTONIO
ROSELL, TEOBALDO
RUIZ WILLIAMS, ENRIQUE
SALAS, TANIA
SALADRIGAS, DR. CARLOS
SALADRIGAS, DR. RAFAEL
SALADRIGAS, "CHUCHI"
SANCHEZ ARANGO,
DR. AURELIANO
SANCHEZ MENA, ANTONIO
SANZ, GUIDO
SANGENIS, JOAQUIN
SARALEGUI, FRANCISCO (padre)
SARALEGUI, FRANCISCO (hijo)
SARALEGUI, JORGE
SIRGO, DR. FERNANDO
SIRGO, OTTO
SORONDO, DR. EMILIO
STOCK, ERNESTO
SUAREZ FERNANDEZ,
DR. MIGUEL A.
SUAREZ, DR. MIGUEL A. (MIKE)
SUAREZ RIVAS, DR. EDUARDO
TABERNILLA, GENERAL FRANCISCO
TABRAUE, GUILLERMO
TARRERO DE PELO SOCARRAS,
MARY
TEJEDA, DR. DIEGO VICENTE
TRINIDAD, AMADO
TRO, EMILIO
TRUMAN, HARRY S.
URIA, GENERAL QUIRINO
URRUTIA, DR. MANUEL
VARONA, DR. ANTONIO (TONY)
VARONA, PANCHITO
VAILLANT, GLAUCO
VAZQUEZ, CAPITAN (EL NATO)
VASCONCELOS, RAMON
VELOSO, JOSÉ
VERGARA, ALEJANDRO
VECIANA, ANTONIO
VILELA, ALEJANDRO
ZAYAS, "PANCHITO"

Si usted no está en esta lista de Masterer, espere su turno . . .

(Datos tomados de los escritos del columnador de oficio, Roberto Masterer, cuando laboraba en el periódico comunista HOY, en la revista TIEMPO, en el periódico TIEMPO EN CUBA, en el diario EL TIEMPO de New York, en el semanario LIBERTAD; del Diario de

Secciones del Congreso; de sus declaraciones y mítines de agitación en Cuba, en España —a las órdenes de las Brigadas Internacionales Comunistas durante la guerra civil—, y finalmente en New York y en esta ciudad de Miami).

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LISTA DE PERSONAS VIVAS O MUERTAS, POR ORDEN ALFABETICO, ATACADAS POR ROLANDO MASFERRER

ACOSTA, DR. RUBEN
ARTIGAS CARBONELL, JESUS
ABRIL DUMOIS, EDUARDO
ABRIL AMORES, MARIO
ACOSTA RUBIO, DR. RAUL
AGOSTINI, COMANDANTE JORGE
AGRAMONTE, DR. ROBERTO
AGUIRRE, DR. HORACIO
ALBA, MARISOL

ALVAREZ, DR. ALBERTO INOCENTE
ALABAU TRELLES, DR. FRANCISCO
ALVAREZ DIAZ, DR. JOSE
ALVAREZ FUENTES, DR. GERMAN
ALONSO PUJOL, DR. GUILLERMO
ALONSO BERMUDEZ, JORGE
ALLES, AGUSTIN

ALLIEGRO, DR. ANSELMO
ANDREU, DR. JOSE R.

ARA, DR. GUILLERMO
ARTEAGA, CARDENAL MANUEL
ARBOLEYA, CARLOS

ARTIME, DR. MANUEL
ARREDONDO, ALBERTO
ARROYO, NICOLAS

ASENCIO, LAZARO

AZCUY, DR. ARACELIO

BADIAS, JOAQUIN

BAQUERO, GASTON

BARQUIN, CORONEL RAMON

BATISTA, GENERAL FULGENCIO

BENES, DR. BERNARDO

BENITEZ, MANOLO

BETANCOURT, DR. ROMULO

BERGQUISTAIN, OSCAR

BLANCO HERRERA, JULIO

BOSCH, DR. ORLANDO

BOSCH, PEPIN

BRANA, MANOLO

BUSTAMANTE, DR. ANTONIO

BUTTARI, DR. EDGARDO

CARRILLO, DR. JUSTO

CABRERA, GENERAL RUPERTO

CARRERA RIESGO, JOSE

FERNANDEZ SUPERVIELLE,

DR. MANUEL

FRAGINAL, AMAURY

FREYRE, DR. ERNESTO

FUENTES, JUSTO

GARCIA SIFREDO, ARMANDO

GARCIA MONTES, DR. JORGE

GARCIA, CORONEL PILAR

GARCIA MENOCAL, MARIO

GARCIA RAMOS, DR. SALVADOR

GARCIA NAVARRO, RAFAEL

GARCIA HERRERA, MANOLO

GOMEZ, MIGUEL MARIANO

GOMEZ GOMEZ,

GENERAL ABELARDO

GOMEZ CALZADILLA,

CAPTAN JESUS

GONZALEZ ORUE, FRANCISCO

GONZALEZ REBULL, JULIO CESAR

GONZALEZ, ARTURO

GRAU SAN MARTIN, DR. RAMON

GUITERAS, ANTONIO

GUTIERREZ, EVA

GUTIERREZ MENOYO,

COMANDANTE ELOY

GUTIERREZ MENOYO, CARLOS

HERNANDEZ, DR. FACUNDO

HERNANDEZ, JORGE LUIS

HERNANDEZ, NICOMEDES

HERNANDEZ TELLACHECHE,

ARTURITO

HORNEDO, ALFREDO

HUERTAS, DR. ENRIQUE

INCLAN, DR. CLEMENTE

IGLESIAS DE LA TORRE,

DR. JULIO

IGLESIAS DE LA TORRE,

DR. IGNACIO

KENNEDY, JOHN F.

KENNEDY, ROBERT

KENNEDY, TEDD

KISSINGER, HENRY

LANCIS, CESAR

LANCIS, DR. FELIX

OTEIZA, DR. ALBERTO
OVARES, ENRIQUE
PANEQUE, COMANDANTE DIEGO
PAZOS, DR. FELIPE
PAULA, JUAN

PEREZ SERANTES,
MONSEÑOR EVELJO
PEREZ ESPINOS, DR. LUIS
PEREZ DAMERA,
GENERAL GENOVEVO

PEDRERA, CAMILO
PEREZ, VIRGILIO
PERUYERO, JUAN J.
PIEDRA, ORLANDO

PUENTE, DR. ORLANDO
PORTELL VILA, DR. HERMINIO
PRIO SOCARRAS, DR. CARLOS
PRIO SOCARRAS, ANTONIO

PRIO SOCARRAS, DR. FRANCISCO
PIÑANGO, DR. NESTOR
PUMAREJO, GASPAS
QUINTANA, DR. JORGE

QUEVEDO, DR. MIGUEL ANGEL
QUILEZ, ALFREDO T.
RAVINES, EUDOCIO
RAY, MANOLO

REGALADO, TOMAS (pucha)
REMOS, DR. JUAN J.
REMEDIOS, BENITO
REMEDIOS, DR. JORGE

REYES, MANOLO
RIVERO, PEPIN
RIVERO AGUERO, DR. ANDRES
RIVERO, JOSE IGNACIO

RIVERO COLLADO, CARLOS
RIVADULLA, MARIO
ROBREÑO, CARLOS
RODON, DR. LINCOLN

RODRIGUEZ, CONRADO
RODRIGUEZ, JUAN AMADOR
RODRIGUEZ DIAZ, DR. ANTONIO
ROBLEJO LORIE, JORGE

RODRIGUEZ PACHECO,
CAPITAN JOSE

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mas groseramente de la Torreante, de de Amigos de Y escribir sobre su Ma honoré con su lacanable batallar de aquella etapa Cuba de la casti- das las informacio- ródicos y revistas, n Pepe cooperando rcos difíciles en- injuriaba y ofen- re tan vil calumnia- Pero estoy seguro dinador de un plan la menor insinu- munistas y tampoco a un traidor como abia que era prefe- rriero que de alia- comentaba filadofí- hace este mal cu- MODISTA e la TV, el domingo

No acepto que me concuerden, ni que me crean el complejo del mito de un personaje como ocurrió en Cuba funestamente.

Hay que llegar al fondo de los problemas, investigar, analizarlos, extraer conclusiones ciertas. Ese es el deber del periodista.

Lo mismo se ejerce la censura tachando con un lápiz que intimidando dictatoralmente. Quien tiene espíritu de libertador no se ofende porque le preguntan nada. Se ofenden los que tienen vocación de dictadores.

SABIDURIA DE GRAU SAN MARTIN

El doctor Ramón Grau San Martín, el gobernante que más ha respetado la libertad de la prensa y del pueblo, tenía una expresión genial cuando lo precisaban como suelen hacer los periodistas.

"Pregúnten lo que ustedes quieran —dice—, que yo contesto lo que me parezca".

No era una expresión de cinismo político. Era una muestra de su capacidad política. Y quien no tenga madera para esa difícil e ingrata tarea, no llegará nunca a las playas de su patria ni al triunfo de su misión. Porque hasta los guerreros tienen que saber de política o del arte de tratar a los demás.

GALEAS DE IMPROPERIOS

Reconozco que estuve y estoy apasionado por las preocupaciones que existen —¿quién no lo está en este proceso del destierro?—, y quería que las respuestas de Torriente arrojaran luz, dispararan dudas. No estuve ofensivo, jamás lo he hecho con ningún entrevistado.

Sin embargo, Masferrer lanzó su ira demencial contra la señorita Juanita Castro y contra mí en su libelo LIBERTAD del día 6 de marzo.

No es la primera vez. El llena galeas de plomo contra todo el mundo.

Lo demuestro en la página 4 de LA HOJA. Ahí están los nombres de sus víctimas. No los pude poner todos. Hace falta una guía con las páginas que tiene la de Carlos M. Calvo o quizá más, con el tiempo, si este bribón de siete suelas sigue descargando infamias.

CONFIESA LA TRACION

Ese ataque lo titulé "Los Pájaros". Recomendando su lectura. Es nuestra mejor defensa. Quizá yo mismo lo vuelva a publicar.

Ahí está la confirmación de su traición a Cuba, insistiendo en "negociar" con los comunistas y pactar con el Diabolo y su abuela.

Esa es la parte importante. Otra confesión de su maniobra "quintacolumbista". Nueva confirmación de la conjura que denuncia.

Por otra parte, el ataque personal que me hace, me honra. Es el mejor galardón que puede recibir un periodista, proclamaria un tribunal de cuncur-

De eso ha vivido chantageando. Tampoco lo harte por otra razón muy sencilla: porque no creo en su leyenda.

Veamos el porqué:

LEYENDAS RIDICULAS

En Cuba se crearon varias leyendas absurdas, ridículas. Algunas conspiratorias —creyentes ingenuos— las han traido al exilio. Por ejemplo:

Que el "Brujo de Guanabacoa" lo sabía todo.

Que "Clavilite" curaba las enfermedades con un vaso de agua y poniendo el pensamiento en él.

Que "El Caballero de París" tenía legiones de ejércitos.

Y que "El Cojo Sinistro", Rolando Masferrer, era guapo, un tigre...

Nada de eso es verdad. Son cuentos de caminos. Sobre todo esta última leyenda ridícula.

ACUSACIONES QUE LE HACEN

Por esa razón no recurrité a las acusaciones que le hacen a Masferrer.

No lo acusaré de ser un gangster, porque ello sería ofender a los gangsters.

No lo acusaré de ser un tigre, porque ello sería ofender a los tigres de la selva.

No lo acusaré de ser un homosexual, porque ello sería ofender a los homosexuales.

No lo acusaré de ser un delincuente común, porque ello sería ofender a los delincuentes comunes.

No lo acusaré de ser un degenerado, porque ello sería ofender a los degenerados.

No lo acusaré de ser un bandido, porque ello sería ofender a los bandidos.

No lo acusaré de ser un puerco, porque ello sería ofender a los puercos.

No creo tampoco lo que dicen de que andaba por los rincones de los muelles de New York, delante de los montones cubiertos, porque ni el peor de los aberrados, por muy desperdado que esté, sería capaz de meter el diente a ese tipo abominable.

Mucho menos creo que practique las orgías y bacanales, porque no habrá mujer que comparta con tan repugnante sujeto un instante de su vida.

El no es nada de eso, ni hace nada de lo que dice la gente, porque Rolando Masferrer tiene alioais en la personalidad.

LASTRE Y VERGUENZA DEL EXILIO

¿Qué diré, entonces, de él? Algo debe ser?

Es necesario encontrar una clasificación para este bárbaro que surge en Cuba y vino para acá como un lastre y una vergüenza del exilio.

Rebúso en los tratados de las especies que pueblan el planeta y consulto a los científicos, pero no encontraron una definición. Es algo que no encaja ni en el género humano ni en la fauna, aunque nos remonemos a la prehistoria.

El crearon una especie de grupo y de tipo para que los que ataque y calumnie crean que es verdad que Masferrer es algo de eso. Y se dejen meter miedo.

UN RATON COJO

No se han detenido a pensar los que le tienen miedo que su hazaña más notable en el campo de batalla —en España con las Brigadas Internacionales del comunismo— lo constituye el tiro que le dieron en el calcetín. Y al que le mecen un tiro en el calcetín es porque va huyendo.

Por todo esto llegamos a la conclusión de que es un ratón. Degradó su categoría. No es "El Cojo Sinistro". Es un Raton Cojo.

Se demostrará que mientras yo viva, Rolando Masferrer es un cobarde.

Si se decidiera a mantener la leyenda de guapo y de tigre, tiene que responder afirmativamente al planteamiento que le he hecho directamente.

No piense el lector que se trata de uno de aquellos ridículos duelos entre caballeros (aquí falta uno) o entre hombres (no veo al otro), sino de algo más a tono con los tiempos actuales y sus reiterados alardes públicos, para asustar a los ancianos y las mujeres del exilio.

MASFERRER ES SOLO UN COBARDE

Mientras uno de los dos viva, es porque Masferrer es un cobarde que no demostró que era lo que dice la leyenda que se forjó con sus pujos de tigre de extremado.

En lo único que él pudiera parecerse a un tigre —hagámosle alguna concesión— es en que ataca a traición, lo mismo a los de su manada que a otros.

Quizá por esa razón le digan tigre, que es lo opuesto al valor del león.

El león ataca de frente. Combate con dignidad. Lucha con valor hasta el final. Por eso es el Rey de la Selva. Cuando el león ruga, tiemblan los animales de la selva. Cuando el tigre gruñe agazapado, simplemente le dan el frente y se cuidan las espaldas. Así, frente a frente, el tigre tiene miedo al desafío. Y se limita a gruñir con su cobardía.

Deducimos que alguien que conocía bien la característica cobarde del tigre, lo bautizó con ese nombre de la fauna selvática.

Como cazador que soy desde niño, respeto al valiente león, pero he sentido satisfacción en derribar tigres agazapados en las selvas de Tampico y puercos en los pantanos de los Everglades.

Esa cacería me gusta. Y de paso líquido a las serpientes que se atraviesan en estas tierras pantanosas de la Florida.

Los cazadores también solemos hacer pirifilaxis selvática, para que los caminos y veredas queden despejados de reptiles venenosos.

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primero de marzo, pregunté al señor José de la Torre si aprobaba o rechazaba la tesis de Masferrer de "negociar" con los comunistas y apoyar un golpe de estado soviético en Cuba.

Leí textualmente lo que publicó R.M. No alteré ninguna de sus palabras. No acostumbro hacerlo. Por eso llevé de mi archivo declaraciones y textos taquigráficos para ser veraz. Todo traído a colación sin ofensas y en uso del legítimo derecho del periodista a preguntar y trasladar al público los resultados.

Torriente —Don Pepe no Don Cosme—, se indignó en seguida que le formulé la primera pregunta. En lugar de aclarar su contradicción manifestando que yo estaba citando correctamente.

La misión del periodista es indagar sobre lo que quiere conocer la opinión pública. Somos en cierta forma delegados o eco del público. Cumplir con mi deber como siempre he hecho, sin cometer indiscrecciones que puedan afectar el interés superior de la patria.

NO TIENE PLAN DE GUERRA

Nunca he preguntado al señor Torriente en qué consiste su plan. Alguna que otra vez le pedí que lo definiera solamente.

Aunque no es razón para que pida "perdón" para un periodista que pregunta cuál es su plan o propósito, como si estuviéramos en Cuba comunista, no le he formulado esa pregunta por dos motivos: no quiero dar el gusto de que me digan que yo quiero conocer un secreto sagrado, y segundo —lo más importante— porque no tiene ningún plan de guerra.

Sé lo que está haciendo y lo he publicado, ya que es todo lo contrario de un plan de guerra, de lo que acordaron las vertientes y de lo demandado por el público en el Stadium.

Estaría descalificado como reportero si no conociera una cosa tan sencilla y superficial como es el llamado "plan Torriente".

Por eso lo critico. Pido definiciones. Señalo contradicciones. Busco respuestas aclaratorias, en beneficio inclusive de él mismo, que se enreda solo. Expresé, además, mi opinión. Ese es mi derecho. No me lo voy a dejar arrebatado por ningún fanático, por ninguna turba, ni por ningún furioso totalitario. Confieso que el único paredón que le tengo miedo es al de Fidel Castro. Pero al paredón que levantan aquí, me tiene sin cuidado. Alguna seguridad, al menos, ofrece esta nación libre y democrática.

Cuando se trate de un plan de guerra, como otros que he conocido, no lo publicaré. A quien hay que vigilar es a Rolando Masferrer para que no dé ese otro "chivatado". Porque esa mente atolondrada y desquiciada es capaz de cualquier barbaasada aunque hunda al mundo.

Los. Cuando se forme alguno aquí, en vez de llevar un "palo noticioso" del alto, llevaré ese palo de cobarde que me lanzó. Seguro que ganaré el primer lugar. Y a él lo descalificarán.

Ser calumniado por un sujeto tan despreciado, tener de adversario a Masferrer, es un honor. Lo deshonroso hubiera sido que me elogiara o defendiera. Eso sí que me hubiera indignado.

Si yo fuera Masferrer —cosa que no podré suceder—, cuando quisiera atacar a alguien lo defendería. Así sí que lo hunde. Lo tritura para el resto de su vida.

NO RESPETA A ANCIANOS NI MUJERES

La colección de ataques y calumnias y ofensas de Rolando Masferrer servirían para editar una antología de la infamia. No respeta a personas vivas o muertas, ni a ancianos ni mujeres.

Lo mismo ataca a adversarios que a amigos. Hasta se burla de algún iluso combatiente que hace ejercicios militares con él, creyendo que a la hora de pelear Masferrer estará a su lado, al frente.

En su estado demencial, arremete contra la vida privada y la honra de esposas, hijas, amantes o lo que sea (y que a él no le importa) de los compañeros. Eso ocurre invariablemente en su libelo. Desde que escribía en el periódico comunista HOY hasta este otro libelo LIBERTAD.

¿Dónde están aquellos cubanos (hombres) que permitían todo, meaos las ofensas al honor de

sus esposas, hijas y familiares?

¿Cómo podemos hablar aquí en vez alta de aplastar allí la infamia castrista si no tenemos valor para aplastar aquí la infamia masferrerista?

Eso llegó ya al límite de la capacidad de aguarde de los cubanos.

Alguien tenía que enfrentarse a este elemento que deshonra y abochorna al exilio. Y me tocó empezar la obra de profilaxis.

"RIVALIDADES CANGSTERILES"

No salgo a este ruedo de fango, a la batalla del exilio —luego de nueve años atacando exilios—, al enemigo comunista, cooperando con los combatientes, y propagando la unidad de acción—, porque esté ofendido en el orden personal.

Tanto la señorita Juanita Castro como yo, objetos de su penúltima infamia, nos sentimos honrados con su enemistad salvaje. Tenemos dos honores: ser enemigos de Fidel Castro y de Rolando Masferrer, a quienes, como ella asegura con razón, solamente los separan las rivalidades gangsteriles de la época de la Universidad.

No tengo la menor duda que es así. Si Fidel Castro lo hubiera querido allá, el jefe del G-2 o de los "Comités de Defensa de la Revolución" (delatores) sería su camarada Rolando Masferrer.

¿Qué diferencia puede haber entre Rolando Masferrer y Ramiro Valdés, Barba Roja o José Matar, el pionero de los comités de "chivatos"?

Respuesta a un Cobarde

Hecha la denuncia pública de la traición de Rolando Masferrer, origen de este encuentro, cuyo primer paso lo dí al formular la pregunta en la entrevista y en otras ocasiones, pasará a referirme al ataque personal que nos ha hecho desde que es vocero del "Plan Torriente".

Me sería muy fácil como reportero extraer de mi archivo los datos de la biografía o levenda

Ni Freud, ni Lombroso, ni Kafka, previeron imaginaron algo semejante.

Es tan extraño y abominable que ni siquiera la ciencia-ficción o los murlequitos de truculentias han podido crear algo parecido.

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de Masferrer. Uno de los comunistas que andan por que recortar la noticia que tiene Masferrer" en y enviársela a Fidel Cas-

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er experiencia, que el pri- Plan Torriente"—cuando Rolando Masferrer.

VEZ DE AYUDAR

ro de 1959, la provincia liberada de Rolando Mas-

**MANDATO DEL DOCUMENTO
DE LA UNIDAD**

En el documento se plantea lo contrario de lo que dice Torriente. (Tal vez por eso no quería firmarlo). Y se redactó así, como quien hace un contrato, con cláusulas excluyentes, porque Torriente, basándose en una mala interpretación de "hablar"

**PADECEMOS UNA DOBLE
DESGRACIA**

¡ "LIBERAR" A CUBA
DE UN COMUNISTA CON
OTRO COMUNISTA

Es posible que José de la Torre, por haberse educado fuera de Cuba, por no conocer el idioma español, por no ser político, como él mismo confiesa, ignore también que entre Fidel Castro y Ro-

NO RENUNCIO AL COMUNISMO

Del Partido Comunista saltó a otros partidos. Con ninguno sentí
do puede vivir sin partidos. Con ninguno hasta el de
Bastista. Fue desde el Partido de Grau hasta el de
Bastista. Pasó por todos los partidos que estuvie-
ron en el poder. Nació —como la anécdota del
argumento político— para ser gobernador. El día
de marzo de 1952 estaba con Carlos Prío Soc-
rás. Y el 11 de marzo de 1952 ya se había colado
con el General Fulgencio Batista. A los dos los
perjudicó en vez de ayudarlos.

EL PEOR ALIADO

Quizá el señor Torriente, que salió muy joven de Cuba, como él dice, desconoce también que Rosas, Masferrer es el peor aliado que pueda bus-
carse alguien. Al que Masferrer defiende... lo
mundo...

Como no tiene principios ni moral, declara oficialmente —cito sus expresiones publicadas— que «no tiene nada que hacer en el mundo».

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Aquí está otra de miles de agentes en el exilio, solamente el Comité de Vigilancia calle Flagler de tiro o al G-2.

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lidad que asombraría a Chamberlain—, que se negocia cuando se tiene algo que ganar; para perder no tiene que negociar".

Eso dijo Torriente. Y uno se pregunta intrigado: ¿Quién ha ganado negociando con los comunistas? Pero Torriente parece que quiere llegar a esa "etapa" de su "plan", porque autoritariamente declaró: "Yo negocié con el que haya que negociar...". Luego, atribuyó la confusión a la semántica. Los que no sabían hablar el idioma español. (Entonces, ¿cómo van a entenderlo bien los cubanos?) Pero el Mella y hasta sus expresiones idiomáticas y sentencias tradicionales de los cubanos. Eso solamente puede hacerlo quien domina el idioma materno, el idioma de Torriente. Otra contradicción.

MASFERRER: VOCERO DEL "PLAN TORRIENTE"

Algunos de los planteamientos de "negociar" con los comunistas hechos por Rolando Masferrer, el exilio juega objetivamente y completamente y hablaron con los comunistas, como Torriente y Torriente.

También comprenderán la equivocación que es la equivocación que cometen la injusticia de atacar a aquellos que cometen la injusticia de atacar a la autoridad Juanita Castro por pedir que no se "negocie" ni se "hable" con los comunistas, y que realice un plan de guerra para la liberación de Cuba.

Es decir, que el fanatismo y el mito del personaje ha llegado al extremo —igual que ocurrió en Cuba— de pedir perdón para quien se oponga a negociar con los comunistas.

Esa es la única discrepancia entre Juanita Castro y José de la Torriente. Ella pide que se cumpla lo acordado en el documento de unidad y lo que debe de ser el exilio en el Stadium. El dice que hace un plan de guerra, que tiene un voto de confianza y que negocia con quien haya que negociar... incluyendo a los comunistas.

AMENAZA CON MATAR AL QUE SE OPONGA

El fanatismo está conduciendo a algunos a reaccionar contra quienes piden que se rechacen las "negociaciones" con los comunistas, y apoyar a los que quieren hacerlo. Así somos los cubanos de terrillos. La pasión nos ciega.

También dire por que Rolando Masferrer se lanza por la vía indigna de las "negociaciones" con los comunistas, representando de hecho en los "verientes" a los "comunistas descontentos o conspiradores" en el misterioso "Plan Torriente". Masferrer dice: "...que si para romper la línea

UN ACIERTO Y UN ERROR DE JOSE DE LA TORRIENTE

Torriente ha tenido un gran acierto y un grave error.

Ha tenido el acierto de unir a verrientes del exilio. Pero ha cometido el error de aceptar a un despreciable sujeto como Rolando Masferrer para que le meta miedo al exilio e imponga la mano de las "negociaciones".

Torriente, pues, quiere liberar a Cuba del terror de Fidel Castro, pero condena al exilio a vivir bajo el terror de Rolando Masferrer.

Observe que todo el que discrepe o señale alguna peligro del "Plan Torriente", inmediatamente Rolando Masferrer lo cubre con los peores insultos, calumnias y amenazas tipo "argelinas" o "judías", como si el fuera lo que le sobra a los argentinos y los judíos.

CARLOS FRANQUI Y ROLANDO MASFERRER

Rolando Masferrer y el libelo LIBERTAD son para José de la Torriente lo que fueron Carlos Franqui y el libelo REVOLUCION para Fidel Castro.

El caso es asombrosamente parecido. LIBERTAD quiere imponer aquí el pacto que impuso a la REVOLUCION con los comunistas.

Quien se opusiera a ello, lo acusaban y calumniaban implacablemente REVOLUCION como ahora lo hace LIBERTAD.

Carlos Franqui hizo allá lo mismo que está haciendo aquí Rolando Masferrer.

¿Han olvidado los colegas periodistas y el exilio aquella etapa del "plan" de Fidel Castro obligando al pueblo a negociar o pagar con los comunistas de la "vieja guardia"?

UN "PAREDON DEMOCRATICO"

No es de extrañar que alguien proponga levantar aquí un "paredón democrático" contra todos los que piensen distinto a los de la "quinta columna" y su instrumento.

Allá el paredón comunista elimina a los que discrepan del "máximo líder".

Aquí el "paredón democrático" eliminará a los que discrepen de "la voz única".

Al "máximo líder" y a "la voz única" —salvando la diferencia entre ellos, desde luego—, no les faltará la turba fanática que correará las consignas rítmicamente y pedirá... ¡paredón!... ¡paredón!

LA MANIOBRA DE MASFERRER

Rolando Masferrer no apoya el "Plan Torriente" porque cree que es para la liberación de Cuba del comunismo. La motivación de Masferrer es otra. El está condenado a cinco años de cárcel en

Con todos los que ha estado Rolando Masferrer los ha traicionado al final de la jornada. Ramiro Valdés Dausé, Manolo Castro, Ramón Grau San Martín, José Manuel Alemán, Carlos Prio Socarrás, Fulgencio Batista y el Ejército Constitucional (está en turno José de la Torriente), llegaron a maldecir el momento en que Masferrer se les había unido.

"REHABILITADO" POR MOSCU

Solamente los viejos y desvergonzados bonzos del Partido Comunista son capaces de "rehabilitarlo" a cambio de alguna utilidad o servicio desde el exilio a los intereses de Moscú en Cuba.

Y ese papel lo está jugando Masferrer en el destierro con el aplauso de unas 15,000 personas en el Stadium de Miami que, en la confusión que produce la euforia colectiva, lo vitorearon más que al personaje principal del acto: José de la Torriente.

Tremenda gente. Eso es un índice muy significativo. Como también lo es que el al poor tirano que ha tenido Cuba y el continente, lo han vitoreado miles de personas en la "Plaza de la Revolución".

Así somos de inexpertos y equivocados algunos cubanos. No aprendemos las lecciones de la Historia; no estudiamos los problemas nuestros y los personales. Todo es improvisación y la típica expresión ilógica del "yo creo..." en vez de la sabia de "yo analicé e investigué..."

MAS DE 7 MILLONES LO DESPRECIAN

Si allí unos 15,000 lo aplaudieron inexplicablemente, por los caminos del destierro hay otros 445,000 y dentro de Cuba hay siete millones de cubanos que lo desprecian y harían descender sobre su abominable humanidad la trompeta más sonora que se pueda escuchar en la faz de la tierra.

A Rolando Masferrer no debe haberle resultado muy difícil tender el puente del entendimiento o las negociaciones entre sus oficinas de la calle Flagler en Miami y las del Partido Comunista en Carlos III en La Habana.

DELATOR DE COMBATIENTES

Porque en su expediente del Partido debe constar que Rolando Masferrer les ha sido útil aquí.

Ha denunciado los planes y las expediciones de los combatientes anticomunistas que han salido para Cuba. Señalando nombres propios y lugares de desembarco. Unas veces lo hacía firmando las informaciones delatorias con su nombre, y otras con la variedad de pseudónimos que emplea para ocultar en el anonimato y en los libelos sus fechorías de la letra impresa.

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con sus intereses mundiales.

Y la "quinta columna" del exilio está haciéndole el juego a esa maniobra traidora.

Unos por ignorancia y otros por complicidad, están engañando al exilio.

El peligro ha sido desmenuzado oportuna y reiteradamente, pero se ha respondido con insultos, calumnias, coacciones, amenazas y terror.

Para contrarrestar las adversidades y denuncias, han creado un "fanzinazo", un mito, otra farsa inculcable, burlescos de las esperanzas de un pueblo que anhela la liberación y de un exilio que desea regresar.

APARATO DE DIFAMACION EN MIAMI

El exilio en 1970 está igual que Cuba en 1959 y los años subsiguientes.

Todos tienen que dejarse arrastrar por las reacciones gregarias o de lo contrario son objeto del aparato de difamación totalitario. Nadie puede disentir o expresar libremente su pensamiento, porque la jauría fanatizada se lanza implacablemente para aplastar al exiliado que no se somete ciegamente a las maniobras de la "quinta columna" pro-soviética que está haciendo creer al desierto que los nuevos libertarios a Cuba de Fidel Castro y del sistema comunista... "por escapar"...

Esta ilusión comenzaron a crearla hace unos dos años y ya prendió en las mentalidades ingenuas, débiles, cansadas, confundidas, y en las claudicantes, que son las peores de todas.

BATALLA EN EL EXILIO

Sólo los cubanos radicalmente anticomunistas y prodemocráticos —se debe aplicar al mismo tiempo el "anti" y el "pro"—, están batallando contra esa traición a la patria sin importarle los riesgos personales y las consecuencias.

Esta batalla en el exilio ha entrado en una fase violenta. Lo lamentamos. No es nuestra culpa, pero no vamos a permitir que nos silencien o que nos atemorizen como hicieron en Cuba antes y después del año 1959.

TIENEN QUE MATARNOS

Esta vez, ni la censura, ni las coacciones, ni la euforia gregaria, impedirán que hablemos claro y expresemos nuestros sentimientos y preocupaciones —equivocados o acertados—, en uso del derecho que concede la democracia en que vivimos y creemos. Cosa que no acaban de comprender los tarados por la sedimentación de los totalitarismos. Esta vez, tienen que matarnos para poder silenciarlos.

Contestaremos con respeto a quienes debaten con respeto.

Pero devolveremos todos y cada uno de los golpes bajos que recibamos con el lenguaje y los

las manos o con la pluma vital.

"PURGAN" A CASTRO, PERO SIGUE EL COMUNISMO

La "quinta columna" está llevando al exilio a cometer el peligro de alentar y apoyar un golpe de estado soviético en Cuba. Es decir, que la Unión Soviética quite al tirano Fidel Castro para poner en su lugar otro régimen comunista parecido, el cual deberá entrar en "negociaciones" con los elementos del exilio que forman la conjura comunista, y con los funcionarios de gobiernos que quieren la "coexistencia", en lugar de las "contradicciones", para resolver los problemas como el de Cuba y otros.

Esa conjura está suficientemente explicada. Quien aún no la comprende y la acepta o le haga el juego, contrará una responsabilidad histórica.

Los elementos que apoyan esta maniobra traidora, creen que tendrán regreso con los comunistas de la "vieja guardia" del Partido. Otros piensan que la Unión Soviética es tan ingenua como ellos y que soltará la presa territorial, devolviendo a Cuba sin que seamos que pelear. Esto tiene muchos adeptos. Se trata de la vía supuestamente más cómoda y fácil para quienes no quieren sacrificarse por la patria. Ningún antecedente histórico garantiza esa conclusión. Ninguna promesa actual de nuestros aliados —el es que todavía alguien cree en promesas—, hace confiable esa deducción infame.

REACCIONES E INTERESES DE LOS PATROCINADORES

Los patrocinadores de esta maniobra actúan por distintas reacciones e intereses.

Los hay que no tienen capacidad política y no han aprendido de las experiencias de los países comunistados. Ninguno de ellos ha podido liberarse en virtud de los imponderables o de las explosiones internas. Ejemplos: Hungría y Checoslovaquia. No queda otra solución, pues, que recurrir a la guerra, organizada y dirigida por los propios cubanos, en nuestro caso. Después, quizás, se produzca la ayuda y el apoyo de los aliados de la causa de la libertad de Cuba.

Los hay que actúan por intereses personales y ambiciones anormales.

De los primeros casos no nos ocuparemos aquí. Volverán a sufrir el mismo engaño que antes. Tropezarán dos veces con la misma piedra. La piedra del fanatismo o el odio de un personaje, sin admitir que nadie pueda exponer sus ideas, analizar e investigar, solicitar definiciones concretas y rechazar los peligros.

De los segundos, los que forman la "quinta columna", si nos ocupamos, constantemente, para poner al descubierto sus ambiciones y traición a la patria.



Este es ROLANDO MASFERRER. Observarlo detalladamente. Después, se preguntarán asombrados: ¿Pero esta plúmula humana es el temible "tigre" que chantajea y mete miedo a los hombres y ofende a las mujeres del exilio? Increíble, ¿verdad? porque apenas puede, lampotente y rabioso, morderse los labios y la lengua viperina. Esta cobarda y despreciado calumniador de oficio, con la cabeza más calva que Lenin —a quien quiere imitar—, al menos es un TIGRE CON MOQUILLO... como aquel que tenía el Circo Montañero en Cuba.

EL CABECILLA DE LA "QUINTA COLUMNA"

El cabecilla de esta "quinta columna" es Rolando Masferrer. Un notorio redactor del odioso periódico comunista HOY y militante del Viejo Partido Comunista de Cuba. Un "expulsado" que ahora a regresar al redil de sus antiguos camaradas, como ha ocurrido en otros casos de elementos parecidos a él: los que no renuncian por motivaciones ideológicas.

Para lograrlo tiene que pretarles un servicio desde el exilio: alentar y apoyar la "purga" de Fidel Castro, para que los ingenuos del desierto y dentro del país crean en esa solución y también, después, "negociaciones" con los comunistas que ocupen el poder con el apoyo directo de la Unión Soviética y la indiferencia de los Estados Unidos cuando se produzca ese hecho.

Los comunistas conspiradores harán creer que son "coexistencialistas", "negociadores", "pacifistas", de la "línea soviética", que abandonarán la subversión y los vínculos "militares" con la Unión Soviética, que son los dos únicos puntos que actualmente preocupan a determinados funcionarios de gobiernos de las Américas. Eso está confesado públicamente por ellos. No obstante, el hecho dramático de que en Cuba exista un sistema comunista, y que pueda perpetuarse, no les preocupa.

ACEPTO ENTABLAR "NEGOCIACIONES"

Rolando Masferrer ha confesado que apoya las

LA HOJA

Año 1

Marzo 16 de 1970

No. 1

CONJURA COMUNISTA EN MIAMI

La "quinta columna" del exilio quiere entablar "negociaciones" con los comunistas conspiradores. Apoyan la simple "purga" o golpe de estado soviético en Cuba. Traición a la patria. La maniobra de Rolando Masferrer con el "Plan Torriente". Amenazas y coacciones. Terror en Miami. El exilio en 1970 igual a Cuba en 1959. Acierto y error de José de la Torriente.

Respuesta a un Cobarde

Por AGUSTIN ALLES SOBERON

El proceso de la liberación de Cuba del imperialismo comunista ha caído en una trampa internacional.

El "caso cubano" lo están "negociando" algunos

medios que se merecen los totalitarios y su aparato de difamación.

Quien tenga miedo a esta "quinta columna" de cobardes y traidores, mucho menos tendrá coraje



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LA HOJA
P.O. BOX 841
Riverside Sta.
Miami, Fla. 33135

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Mr. Edgar Hoover
Director of the F.B.I.
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[REDACTED]
Bureau has received no indication that subject has
departed the U. S. as indicated in the attached communication.

referred
Promptly check sources and advise Bureau by most
expeditious means warranted if there is any substance to the
information contained in the attached communication.

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7/29/81
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Subject is notorious Cuban exile engaged in Haitian
and Cuban revolutionary activities.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: 5-1-70

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

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It was also made available to AUSA LLOYD G. BATES, JR., who advised that he intended, upon notification from the Supreme Court of the denial of the plea, to seek a sealed order of arrest from the District Court Judge in Miami in order that MASFERRER would not be prematurely apprised of this information and seek to flee the country.

On 4-29-70, Agent [REDACTED] U. S. Customs, Miami, advised that he had learned from AUSA BATES that

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Judge TED CABOT had signed the order instructing the U.S. Marshals to bring in MASFERRER in order that he could begin serving his sentence.

Any additional pertinent information will be promptly furnished to the Bureau.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

FROM : *WHS* SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (P)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA

DATE: 6/5/70

Re Miami letter to the Bureau dated
5/1/70. *sw 420*

For the information of the Bureau,
U. S. Marshals at Miami have been attempting
to locate and detain ROLANDO MASFERRER in order
that he can be returned to the jurisdiction of
the court and begin service of his sentence.
To date, the marshals have been unable to
locate the subject and a new 115 case on a
bond default is being opened by the Miami Office
regarding MASFERRER.

Scitation

Informants have not been able to date
to come up with any positive information as to
the current hideout of MASFERRER although recently
it has been reported that he is hiding on a farm
belonging to a friend in Broward County, north of
Miami.

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Articles bearing the by-line of the
subject continue to appear weekly in his newspaper
"Libertad".

The people who have been working in what
is generally referred to as the MASFERRER group in
Miami continue to meet once or twice a week at the
office of the Municipality of Guantanamo and based
on conversation overheard by informants at the
office it is apparent that MASFERRER continues to
be hiding out in the South Florida area. Although

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the MASFERRER group is holding meetings, the significant activities of this group are apparently being held in abeyance pending a determination of the status of the subject.

Miami will promptly advise the Bureau of any significant developments in this matter.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 8/25/70

FROM : *WHP* LEGAT, MADRID (105-251) (P)

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (2-1622)

DATE: July 21, 1970

FROM : *W* SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (C) *BKD*

SUBJECT: ROLANDO MASFERRER-ROJAS
IS - CUBA

(OO: MIAMI)

Re Miami letter, 6/5/70^{100/421}, and Miami airtel,
7/2/70, Bufile 115-2494, MM 115-249.

Referenced airtel contains information that
subject, a fugitive, had arrived in Spain.

As subject is no longer in this country and
not engaged in significant Cuban exile activities, this
case is being closed.

Fugitive Desk

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TO : Director, FBI (Bufile- 2-1622)

DATE: 9/28/70

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (2-156) (C)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO ARCADIO MASFERRER ROJAS

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As MASFERRER, a fugitive for Bond Default, was recently arrested by Bureau Agents and was taken to the Federal Penitentiary, Atlanta, Ga. on 9/24/70, his name is being deleted from the Agitator Index of the Miami Office. *OW*

ADDENDUM: DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION 10/6/70 AHS:mbs

Masferrer is 52-year-old Cuban exile who has resided in Miami area for many years. An inveterate plotter against Fidel Castro, he has organized a number of abortive exile attempts to invade Cuba and Haiti. Convicted of violation of Federal Neutrality Statutes in 2/68 in U. S. Court, Miami, in Bureau of Customs case, Masferrer received four-year sentence. He was released on bail and after denial of appeal, disappeared and was declared fugitive. As indicated above, he was taken into custody by Miami Agents 9/24/70.

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Mr. Sullivan	
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Mr. Bishop	
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Mr. Callahan	
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Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
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Miss Gandy	

TRANSLATION FROM SPANISH

Envelope is addressed to Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Was
D. C. and is postmarked in Hialeah, Florida, on Janu

The return address is;

A. Rojas
3170 N. W. 95 Terr.
Miami, Fla. 33147

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Miami, January 6, 1971

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Washington

Dear Sir:

After having exhausted all judicial resources, we
turn to you with hopes that you will understand. Dr. Rolando
Masferrer Rojas is in prison in Atlanta, Georgia, for an
alleged invasion to the Republic of Haiti, a springboard in
the struggle against international communism whose American
headquarters is in the island of Cuba.

Since all the others who participated in this cause
have been released or are on parole, we do not understand why
Dr. Masferrer, a well-known anti-communist, leader of the Cuban
exiles, indefatigable fighter against vice and drugs and an
effective counsellor in this dark hour of humanity, is being
kept in jail to the detriment of his friends and followers who
need his precious aid at this moment of disorientation.

Because we know his firm position as a fighter against
the cruel communists, we turn to you in the hope that a
suggestion of yours to the Justice Department will at least get
Dr. Masferrer out on parole, which is eligible for.

Before I close, I wish to quote the last sentence of
the foreword in your book "Masters of Deceit": "And we must
never forget that if our government is to remain free, it needs
the help of every patriotic man and child"

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Having nothing further to add, I wish to remain

Cordially,
(signed)
Antonio Rojas

P.S. Antonio Rojas
3170 N. W. 95 Terr.
Miami, Fla. 33147

Miami, Enero 6 de 1971.

Sr. J. Edgar Hoover

Washington.

Estimado señor:

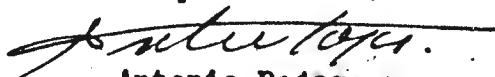
Habiendo agotado todos los tefminos judiciales, acudimos a Ud. en la esperanza que nos comprendera: el Dr. Rolando Masferrer y Rojas, se haya condenado y preso en la carcel de Atlanta por una supuesta invasion a la Republica de Haiti; que serviria de trampolin para la lucha contra el comunismo internacional que tiene su cabeza de playa en la americana Isla de Cuba.

Como quiera que todos los otros encartados en esta causa estan unos en libertad y otros bajo parol, y no comprendiendo como el Dr. Masferrer, connotado anti-comunista historico y lider de una gran mayoria del exilio y del pueblo cubano, luchador incansable contra los vicios y las drogas, orientador eficaz en esta obscura hora de la humanidad, se mantenga en una carcel en detrimento de sus amigos y seguidores que no tienen en este momento de desorientacion su precisa ayuda.

Conociendo nosotros su posicion vertical de luchador contra la barbarie comunista, es por que recurrimos a Ud. en la seguridad que una sugerencia suya al Ministerio de Justicia, pondria aunque fuera bajo parol al Dr. Masferrer, ya que su causa esta clasificada en tefminos que esto permite.

Y para tefminar quiero insertarle el final del preambulo de su libro, Maestros del Engaño, que dice asi: Es necesario que nunca olvidemos que para que nuestro Gobierno siga siendo libre, necesita de la ayuda de todos los patriotas, hombres, mujeres y niños.

Sin más quedo de Ud. atentamente.


Antonio Rojas.

P.D. Antonio Rojas
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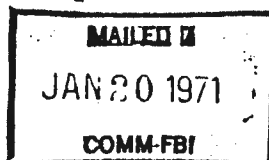
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A. Rojas
Mr. Antonio Rojas
3170 Northwest 95th Terrace
Miami, Florida 33147

Dear Mr. Rojas:

In reply to your letter which was received on January 11th, it would not be proper for me, as the head of a Federal investigative agency, to take the action you request. I have forwarded a copy of your letter to the Chairman, Parole Board, Department of Justice, for any help he may afford you.



Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: Bufiles disclose correspondent is probably the nephew of Rolando Arcadio Masferrer Rojas. Masferrer is a Cuban exile who has resided in Miami area for many years. An inveterate plotter against Fidel Castro, he has organized a number of abortive exile attempts to invade Cuba and Haiti. He was convicted of violation of Federal Neutrality Statutes in 2-68, in U. S. Court, Miami, in a Bureau of Customs case. Masferrer received a four-year sentence, was released on bail and after denial of appeal, disappeared and was declared fugitive. He was arrested by Bureau Agents and taken to the Federal Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, on 9-24-70. Copy of communication being furnished to Chairman, Parole Board by 0-6 routing slip same date.

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SUBJECT: **ANTI-CASTRO ACTIVITIES
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (109-584)

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FROM: SAC, ALBANY (105-10415) (P)

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ROLANDO MASFERRER

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ATTENTION: INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

GUSTAVO BIENVENIDO MARIN Y DUARTE, AKA; ENRIQUE GILBERTO

ENCINOSA, AKA; EDUARDO LIMA, NM - CUBA, OO: ALBANY.

RE ALBANY TELETYPE TO BUREAU, DATED MARCH 6,
1975, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE; AND ALBANY TELETYPE TO BUREAU,
DATED MARCH 6, 1975, CAPTIONED ANTI-CASTRO ACTIVITIES,
IS - CUBA.

THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS ARE OFFERED CONCERNING
INFORMATION SET FORTH IN REFERENCED TELETYPES.

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RE ROLANDO MASFERRER:

MASFERRER IS FORMER CUBAN SENATOR UNDER BATISTA WHO OPERATES UNIFORMED GUARD SERVICE AND SPANISH LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER "LIBERTAD". HE HAS BEEN CONTACTED ON MANY OCCASIONS IN THE COURSE OF VARIOUS BUREAU INVESTIGATIONS AND HAS NEVER BEEN PARTICULARLY COOPERATIVE. HE IS UNPOPULAR WITH CERTAIN SEGMENTS OF THE CUBAN EXILE COMMUNITY. SEVERAL MONTHS AGO HE DISCOVERED IGNACIO NOVO, CUBAN EXILE AND ANTI-CASTRO ACTIVIST FROM NY - NJ AREA IN PARKING LOT NEXT TO HIS OFFICE. ENCOUNTER WAS MADE AT APPROXIMATELY MIDNIGHT, NOVO WAS ARMED AND CLIMBING FENCE AND MASFERRER BELIEVES NOVO MAY HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTING TO KILL HIM.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE:

MAY 9 1975

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (105-22567) (C)

SUBJECT: ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS
IS - CUBA
(OO: Miami)

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of LHM dated and captioned as above.

One copy of LHM designated locally for INS and ATF.

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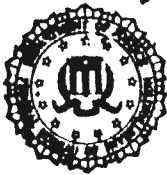
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Re: ROLANDO MASFERRER ROJAS
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

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classified unless otherwise indicated.

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On April 21, 1975, ROLANDO MASFERRER, 1401 S. W.
1st Street, Miami, Florida, was interviewed by Special Agents
of the FBI. MASFERRER furnished the following information:

He expects changes in Cuba because of the failure
of the American foreign policy in Portugal, the Middle East,
and Southeast Asia. The Russians have bought time and are
being cautious. They are afraid of a hardening of the
American position toward Russia and a crisis in detente.

Sources whose identities are
concealed herein have furnished
reliable information in the past
except where otherwise noted.

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MASFERRER feels that KISSINGER must leave the State Department. CASTRO is an informed and daring man. He knows that a collision between Washington and Moscow could cost him his power and his life. As MASFERRER understands CASTRO, he would be willing to step down this year. He has been making friendly gestures toward the United States and the exiles. He is trying desperately to improve his image, to make himself acceptable. He has always dreamed of being independent of the Russians. The fights with the "microfraccion" should not be forgotten, or the prison in Havana with over a hundred Communist leaders who support Moscow. CASTRO had to give way for a time, under the pressure of the Russians. But now, he feels economically safe, and is returning to his ideas of independent Socialism.

There are people who feel that CASTRO has gone a long way in a year of secret conversations with the United States Government. He cannot go back.

MASFERRER is against terrorism in the United States. He says that only a few Cubans take part in these desperate actions, because they are afraid that the United States will again abandon them, as they abandoned Southeast Asia. They are impressed by the international position of YASIR ARAFAT, who was received like a hero at the United Nations. Sometimes, according to MASFERRER, terrorism is the only alternative for small countries to make themselves heard.

MASFERRER does not feel that many people from Miami will go to Washington for the march against the Organization of American States (OAS). The fare is too expensive. More people will probably go from New Jersey and New York. The leaders of the march are conservative, and some even rich.

MASFERRER feels that CASTRO will not wait for his protectors to sell him out. He will sell himself, first, and he will wait to make a political comeback. He has a lot of money. He is impressed by what PERON did in Argentina.

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PRIO is a beaten man (CARLOS PRIO SOCARRAS), and it appears that he will not become a great political leader in exile. Great leaders are produced in times of revolutions and wars.

It is possible, according to MASFERRER, that CASTRO would like to be like TITO. TITO is the result of historic events and the geography and peculiarities of Yugoslavia. CASTRO could be like that, too. But he would be a more vulnerable TITO. He does not live in the Balkans, on the other side of the ocean. He lives within sight of Florida. He is not a true Communist. He set up a Central Committee according to his desires, with people who are loyal only to him. MASFERRER states it would not surprise him if, eight years after the re-establishment of democracy in Cuba, CASTRO were to run in elections. MASFERRER states that he knows his country. Today, BATISTA would win an election for the first time. In politics, everything is a matter of comparison. There is not only the example of PERON--PEREZ JIMENEZ and ROJAS PINILLAS were able to regain their strength in Venezuela and Colombia. Nothing is impossible in Latin America.

MASFERRER states that he has weekly political discussions with his friends, and expresses his views in "Libertad," a weekly Cuban newspaper published at 1401 S. W. 1st Street. He seeks ideological cohesion in future groups. They should be able to handle weapons. MASFERRER has a group of twenty men who practice with the R-15, a semi-automatic rifle, at the Trail Glades Range. All in all, he has about 200 men who are experienced with weapons. They may be needed for the future security of Cuba. The time for small expeditions has passed.

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